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## Slam the Door Gently.

Slam the door gently,  
Most people can hear,  
By listening intently,  
When slumber is near.  
And some folks, if earthquakes  
Should travel their way,  
Would be stirred by the great shakes  
To ask, "What's to pay?"  
From closing doors crashed,  
Inspires us to wonder,  
What's suddenly smashed?  
An earthquake's commotion  
For moving things serves;  
But it's hardly the lotion  
For lingers and nerves.  
Let us consequently,  
(Since mercy's a treasure),  
Just slam the door gently,  
When we have the leisure.

## MY MIDNIGHT PERIL.

The night of the seventeenth of October—I shall never forget its pitchy darkness, the roar of the autumnal wind through the lonely forest, and the incessant downpour of the rain?  
"This comes of short cuts," I muttered petulantly to myself, as I plodded along, keeping close to the trunks of the trees to avoid the deep ravine, through which I could hear the roar of the turbulent stream forty or fifty feet below. My blood ran cold, as I thought what might be the possible consequences of a misstep or move in the wrong direction. Why had I not been contented to keep in the right road?  
Hold on! Was that a light, or are my eyes playing me false?

I stopped, holding on to the low, resinous boughs of a hemlock that grew on the edge of the bank; for it actually seemed as if the wind would seize me bodily and hurl me down the precipitous descent. It was a light—thank Providence—it was a light, and no ignis fatuus to lure me on to destruction and death.  
"Halloo-o-o!"  
My voice rang through the woods like a clarion. I plunged onward through tangled vines, dense briars and rocky banks, until, gradually nearing, I could perceive a figure wrapped in an oil-cloth cape, or cloak carrying a lantern. As the dim light fell upon his face I almost recoiled. Would not solitude in the woods be preferable to the companionship of this withered, wrinkled, old man? But it was too late to recede now.

"What's wanting?" he snarled, with a peculiar motion of the lips that seemed to leave his yellow teeth all bare.  
"An lost in the woods; can you direct me to R— Station?"  
"Yes; R— station is twelve miles from here."  
"Twelve miles!" I stood aghast.  
"Yes."  
"Can you tell me of any shelter I could obtain for the night?"  
"No."  
"Where are you going?"  
"To Drew's, down by the maple swamp."  
"Is it a tavern?"  
"No."  
"Would they take me for the night? I could pay them well."  
His eyes glanced toward the yellow stumps stood round us; folks do stop there."  
"Is it far from here?"  
"Not very; about half a mile."  
"Then let us make haste and reach it. I am drenched to the skin."  
We plodded on, my companion more than keeping pace with me. Presently we left the edge of the ravine, entering what seemed like trackless woods, and keeping straight on until the lights gleamed fitfully through the wet foliage.  
It was a ruinous old place with the windows all drawn to one side as if the foundation had settled, and the pillars of a rude porch nearly rotted away.  
A woman answered my fellow traveler's knock. My companion whispered a word or two to her, and she turned to me with smooth voluble words of welcome.  
She regretted the poverty of their accommodations; but I was welcome to them, such as they were.  
"Where is Isaac?" demanded my guide.  
"He is not home in yet."  
I sat down on a wooden bench beside the fire, and ate a few mouthfuls of bread.  
"I should like to retire soon as possible," for my weariness was excessive.  
"Certainly." The woman started up with alacrity.  
"Where are you going to put him?" asked my guide.  
"Up chamber."  
"Put him in Isaac's room."  
"No."  
"Is the most comfortable."  
"I tell you no!"  
But here I interrupted the whispered colloquy.  
"I am not particular—I don't care where you lodge me, only make haste."  
So I was conducted up a steep ladder that stood in a corner of the room, into an apartment ceiled with sloping beams and ventilated by one small window, where a cot bedstead, crowded close against the board partition, and a pine table, with two chairs, formed the sole attempts at furniture.

The woman set the light—an oil lamp—on the table.  
"Anything more I can get you, sir?"  
"Nothing, thank you."  
"I hope you'll sleep well, sir. When shall I call you?"  
"At four o'clock in the morning, if you please. I must walk over to R— station in time for the seven o'clock express."  
"I'll be sure to call you, sir."  
She withdrew, leaving me alone in the gloomy little apartment. I sat down and looked around me with no very agreeable sensation.  
"I will sit down and write to Alice," I thought, "that will soothe my nerves and quiet me, perhaps."  
I descended the ladder. The fire still glowed redly on the stone hearth; my companion and the woman sat beside it, talking in a low tone, and the third person sat at the table, eating—a short, stout, villainous looking man, in a red flannel shirt and muddy trousers.  
I asked the writing materials and returned to my room to write to my wife.  
"My darling Alice."  
I paused and laid down my pen as I concluded the words, half smiling to think what she would say could she know of my strange quarters.

Not until both sheets were covered did I lay aside my pen and prepare for slumber. As I folded my paper, I happened to glance towards my couch.  
Was it the gleam of a human eye observing me through the board partition? or was it but my own fancy? There was a crack there, but only blank darkness beyond; yet I could have sworn that something had sparkled balefully at me.  
I took out my watch—it was only one o'clock. It was scarcely worth while for me to undress for three hours' sleep; I would lie down in my clothes and snatch what slumber I could. So, placing my valise close to the head of my bed, and barricading the lockless door with two chairs, I extinguished the light and lay down.

At first I was very wakeful, but gradually a soft drowsiness seemed to steal over me like a misty mantle, until, all of a sudden, some startling electric thrill coursed through my veins, and I sat up, excited and trembling.  
A luminous softness seemed to glow through the room—no light of the moon or stars was ever so penetrating—and by the little window I saw Alice, my wife, dressed in floating garments of white, with her long, golden hair knotted back by a blue ribbon. Apparently she was beckoning to me with outstretched hands, and eyes full of wild, anxious tenderness.  
I sprang to my feet and rushed toward her, but as I reached the window, the fair apparition seemed to vanish into the stormy darkness, and I was left alone. At the self-same instant the sharp report of a pistol sounded—I could see the jagged stream of fire above the pillow—straight through my head had lain.

With an instantaneous realization of my danger, I swung myself over the edge of the window, jumping some eight or ten feet into tangled bushes below, and as I crouched there recovering my breath, I heard the tramp of footsteps into my room.  
"Is he dead?" cried a voice up the ladder—the smooth, deceitful voice of the woman with the half-closed eyes.  
Of course he is," growled a voice back; that savage would have killed ten men; a light, there, quick, and tell Tom to be ready."  
A cold, agonized shudder ran through me. What den of midnight murderers had I fallen into? And how fearfully narrow now was my escape.

With the speed that only mortal terror and deadly peril can give, I rushed down the stairs, now illumined by a faint glimmer of starlight. I know not what impulse guided my footsteps—I never shall know how many times I crossed my own track, or how close I stood to the brink of the deadly ravine, but a merciful Providence encompassed me with a guiding and protecting care, for when the morning dawned, with faint red bars of orient light against the stormy eastern sky, I was close to the high road, some seven miles from R—.

Once at the town, I told my story to the police, and a detachment was sent with me to the spot.  
After much searching and many false alarms, we succeeded in finding the ruinous old house; but it was empty and our birds had flown; nor did I recover my valise and watch and chain, which latter I had left under my pillow.  
"It's Drew's gang," said the leader of the police; "and they've troubled us these two years. I don't think, though, they'll come back here just at present."  
But the strangest part of my story is to come yet. Some three weeks subsequently I received a letter from my sister, who was with Alice in her English home—a letter whose intelligence filled me with surprise.  
"I must tell you something very, very strange," wrote my sister, "that happened to us on the night of the 17th of October. Alice had not been well for some time; in fact, she had been confined to her bed nearly a week; and I was sitting beside her reading. It was late the clock had just struck one, when all of a sudden she seemed to faint away growing faint and rigid as a corpse. I hastened to call assistance, but all our efforts seemed vain to restore life or animation. I was just about sending for the doctor, when her senses returned as suddenly as they had left her, and she sat up in bed, pushing back her hair and looking wildly around her.  
"Alice!" I exclaimed, "how you have terrified us all. Are you ill?"  
"Not ill," she answered, "but I feel so strange. Gracie, I have been with my husband!"  
And all our reasoning failed to convince her of the impossibility of her assertions. She persisted in this moment that she saw you and was with you on the 17th of October, or rather on the morning of the 18th. Where and how she cannot tell; but we think it must have been some dream. She is better now, and I wish you could see how fast she is improving."  
This is my plain, unvarnished tale. I do not pretend to explain or account for its mystery. I simply relate facts. Let psychologists unravel the labyrinthical skin. I am not superstitious, neither do I believe in ghosts, wraiths, apparitions; but this thing I do know—that although my wife was in England in body, on the morning of the 18th of October, her spirit surely stood before me in New York in the moment of the deadly peril that menaced me. It may be that to the subtle instinct strength of a wife's holy love, all things are possible; but Alice surely saved my life.

The young lady students at Chambersburg, Pa., kindly sent forty hoop skirts that were out of style, to the sufferers by the Boston fire.  
"I can marry any girl I please," said a young fellow boastfully. "Very true," replied his wagish companion, "for you can't please any."

Young ladies should never object to being kissed by printers; they should make every allowance for the "freedom of the press."  
A dog with two tails was seen in Taunton the other day. One belonged to an ox, and was carried in the mouth of the canine.  
The children's kingdom—Lap-land.

## The Man who Cheats the Printer.

The man who cheats the printer  
Out of a single cent,  
Will never reach the heavenly land  
Where old Elijah went.  
He will not gain admission there,  
By devil's hell he driven,  
And made to loaf his time away  
Outside the walls of Heaven.  
Without a man to greet him,  
Without a pleasant grin,  
The happiness that he will get  
Will be almighty thin.  
He'll have to eat the thistle  
Of sorrow and regret;  
He'll have to buck around right smart  
With cussedness, "yon bet."

## FEAT OF AN INEXPERIENCED COOK.

Uncle Enoch T., the hero of the annexed incident was not an experienced cook, as we shall presently show. He and Tom B., once went on a clamming and ceiling cruise to stay several days.  
The married provisions with them, and took possession of a small house, built for the convenience of such parties, where they could lodge and do their own cooking. One day, when they had been at work hard digging clams until the sun was getting well up towards meridian, Enoch started to the house to make preparations for dinner.

The bill of fare for the day was to consist simply of boiled rice.  
Some half an hour later, his partner, with appetite sharp set, walked into the shanty.  
He was struck with astonishment at beholding the two little camp-pans heaped up with half-cooked rice, and a pyramid of the same on the inverted pot-lid.  
Enoch was holding a ladle full in his hand, and staring against the clock in the wall, which was swarming over the rim like a cloud of white ants, while a suspicious odor indicated that it was "burning on" at the bottom.  
"Where'n thunder!" I put all this swamped?" he exclaimed in despair. "I've filled all the dishes in the shanty, and I don't gain on it much."  
Tom saw how the case stood and became volcanic with inward laughter.  
"How much of the rice did you put in the pot, Uncle Enoch?"  
"Well, I filled her right, level full—I thought I'd cook enough, as we might be pretty hungry."

"You old wooden head! Didn't you know that rice would swell in boiling?"  
"Swell?" he repeated, as if his mind was just grasping a new philosophical fact. "Swell? Yes, yes. So 'twill. Wall it's too late now to stop it. I reckon we'll have to let her swell."  
And to this day Tom B.'s swells, even to the point of explosion, whenever he recalls the scene to his mind.

MAKING PEOPLE HAPPY.—A poetical writer has said that some people move through life as a band of music moves down the street, flinging out pleasure on every side through the air to every one, far and near, that can listen. Some men fill the air with their strength and sweetness, as the orchard in October days fills the air with ripe fruit. Some women cling to their own houses like honeysuckle over the door, yet, like it, fill all the region with the subtle fragrance of their goodness. How great a bounty and blessing is it to hold the royal gifts of the soul that they shall be music to some, fragrance to others, and life to all. It would be no unworthy thing to live for, to make the power which we have within us the breath of other men's joy; to fill the atmosphere which they stand in with a brightness which they cannot create for themselves.

Which?—A writer tells a story of two well-known Southern clergymen, one of whom undertook to rebuke the other for using the word "brother G.," he exclaimed, without stopping to ask any other question, "Is it possible that you chew tobacco?" "I must confess I do," the other quietly replied. "Then I would quit it, sir!" the old gentleman energetically continued. "It is a very unclerical practice, and I must say a very unclerical one. Tobacco! Why, sir, even a hog would not chew it!" "Father C.," responded his amused listener, "do you chew tobacco?" "I? No, sir!" he answered, gruffly, with much indignation. "Then, pray, which is most like the hog, you or I?"

BOTH PAIR ALIKE.—Stories of Irish blunders are vastly amusing, but did not mortal man ever hear of anything more Erirical than this? A gentleman sent his Irish servant up to his room for a pair of boots, and at the same time told him to be sure and get mates, as there were two pair together in the closet. Patrick returned with two boots, but odd ones. "Why, don't you see that these are not alike?" said the long top, and the other is a short one," said the gentleman, out of patience with the fellow. "Bedad, your honor," said Pat, in apology, "an it's true for too; but, thin, the other pair was just so, too."

A GOOD ILLUSTRATION.—Could there be a good illustration than this of the frequency of murders in New York? A gentleman announced to his family one morning, "Mr. Greeley is dead." His little two-year old was playing on the floor, with his horse. He looked up very quietly from his play and said, "Pa, who shot him?"

FACTS FOR THE LADIES.—Since women have loosened their corsets, the annual mortality has decreased 184 per cent. Since women have loaded their heads with ornaments and hideous chignons, cerebral fevers have increased 73 per cent. The next thing for them to do, then, is to discard the chignons.

A young lady who visited Chicago after the fire, was taken quite ill on the day after her arrival. She explained the matter by saying that she took cold by getting out of the cars without any depot.

A Brooklyn mother advised her daughter to oil her hair, and faintly flat away, when the candid dandel pressed. "Oh, no, ma! It spoils the gentlemen's vests."

In a recent funeral sermon the deceased was referred to as "one of the few men of the century who have died in their beds without the aid of a physician."

A couple of Yankee girls put a bull-frog in the hired man's bed, to see if they could make him talk. Daniel threw the frog out of the window, and said not a word. Soon after, he put a bushel of chestnut burrs into the girl's bed, and about the time he thought they would make the least shadow, Daniel went to the door and rattled the latch furiously. Out went the light and in went the girls, but they didn't stick, though the burrs did. Calling to them, he begged them to be quiet; he only wanted to know if they had seen anything of that pesky bull-frog; he'd gi'a two dollars to find him."

A little girl at school reads thus: "The widow lived on a small limbeck left her by a relative." "What do you call that word?" asked the teacher; "the word is legacy, not limbecky." "But, Miss Johnson," said the little girl, "pa says I must say I must say limbeck, not leg."

An aggravated colored man down in Florida consulted one of the most conscientious lawyers in the neighborhood, and after stating his case, said: "Now, Mr. I know you are a lawyer; but I wish you would, sir, please, jus tell de troof 'bout dat matter."

The Taunton Gazette records the following remark: "Pilkins says the first time his wife's mouth has been shut for ten years was Saturday, when she passed a house with a red flag hanging out. It was an auction sign, but the effect was the same."

Mlle Bordon, a French dressmaker, tired of oppression, plunged into the Seine, with the words: "We have no liberties." When she was promptly pulled out she finished the idea: "They don't even allow us to drown ourselves."

"If you don't want the soot, don't go up the chimney," was the reply of an editor to "respectable parties" who requested him not to mention the fact that they had been arraigned in the police court.

A dentist, on being introduced to a village belle, said: "Miss W. I hope that I may consider that you are not entirely unacquainted. I had the pleasure of pulling out a tooth for your father a short time ago."

A lady asked a pupil, at a public examination, "What was the sin of the Pharisees?" Eating camels, marm, quickly replied the child. She had read that Pharisees "strained at gnats and swallowed camels."

A man's being asked why he did not give a big party, replied, "If I should give a party, I should invite would forget it in a fortnight, and those I omitted to invite would never forget it in a life time."

A nervous Meriden manufacturer telegraphed to New Haven for an absconding clerk the other day, who had drawn \$600 from the bank, and stopped to get shaved before returning to his post.

When an ill-natured fellow was trying to pick a quarrel with a peaceable man, the latter said: "I never had a fuss with you, for you are a peaceable man; he was buried at 4 o'clock; it is now half past three."

Never lay a stumbling block in the way of a man who is trying to advance himself in the world honestly and uprightly, for he is likely to walk over it, and laugh at you afterwards.

A man lately made a wager that he had seen a horse going at his greatest speed, and a dog sitting on his tail, and strange as it may seem, he won, but the dog sat on his own tail.

Those who have misgivings as to the future of journalism may quiet their apprehensions, as thirteen young ladies have applied for admission to the Yale school for that profession.

An exchange remarks that this is the kind of weather when a Christian draws close to the stove, and wishes every poor laboring man on the face of the earth was a clerk in a store.

"Come here, my dear," said a young man to a little girl, to whose sister he was paying his addresses. "No, I am not," she replied, archly, "sister says you are the sweetest."

A watering place correspondent writes that "very few bathers bathe at the West End," whereupon Mrs. Partington says that she "had an idea they bathed all over."

An independent man is said to be one who can live without whiskey and tobacco, and shave himself with brown soap and cold water, without a glass.

The Fairbanks, seal manufacturers, have now made their first seal, and have now worth \$3,000,000. Go and borrow five dollars, young man.

The Jackson, Mich., police feel the iron heel of local tyranny, and are not allowed to sit on dry goods boxes nor eat peanuts while on duty.

When the enterprising butcher's assistant "set up on his own hook," did he find a comfortable seat?

"Go to America and lecture," is, in London, equivalent to the New York phrase "Go West and dig."

"Ma, make Bob behave himself; every time I hit him with the hammer he hollers."

With all the newspapers in the United States we have only one to every 563 inhabitants.

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# The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 4, 1873.

We are fairly launched into the year 1873. Without dwelling sentimentally on the exit of the Old Year and advent of the New we will cordially wish our readers a Happy New Year, hoping to jog along with them for another twelvemonth.

This is an old-fashioned winter, and no mistake. There is plenty of snow, plenty of sleighing and an abundance of right down stinging cold weather. It is the harvest of the sleigh builders, and liveries, and in all the biting frost the young people find pleasure in sleighing. The thermometers have been struggling among the zeros for a fortnight, sometimes indicating from 10 to 18 below the cipher. That will do for this latitude, and if any person desires a colder experience he had better remove within the arctic circle at once.

An attempt to bring discredit upon our member of Congress, Mr. Dawes, by charging that he received stock in the Credit Mobilier, is unfair and dishonest. Mr. Dawes was offered some of the stock, but as soon as he became aware of its character refused it, and has since had nothing to do with it. There is no doubt that some members of Congress went into the speculation for the purpose of making money, while others took it on recommendation, as an investment, honestly supposing it to be a legitimate and upright transaction. If, on finding their mistake, they gave up their interest, refusing to have anything to do with it, that course should be set down to their credit. Why not?

It must be with feelings of mortification that the people of this State notice the course which Secretary Boutwell is pursuing to secure the senatorship. He has come out with a letter saying that he is a candidate for the position, and rumor says he is soon to resign his secretaryship and return to Massachusetts for the purpose of entering upon the campaign. This course will certainly lower him in the estimation of his numerous friends throughout the State, and if the legislature should administer a severe rebuke by electing somebody else we should not at all be surprised. Mr. Boutwell has made himself a name in the nation; he is highly esteemed at home and abroad; and his election as senator cannot increase his fame or add to his honors. That he would make an excellent senator none will doubt, but when he stoops from his high position to become a lobbyist in his own interest the statesman lowers himself to the trading politician, and makes himself the target for the criticism of his constituents.

## The Small Pox.

While the small pox is prevailing so extensively, and alarmingly in many places, it would be well for people to keep from being frightened about it. A man who is afraid of a prevailing disease is more likely to take it than one who boldly ventures among it. It is related that a condemned criminal was subjected to the test of passing a night in a bed where a man was said to have died of cholera, but had not, and the prisoner actually died of cholera; while other persons have by accident slept with those attacked with small pox, and not knowing it for a long time, have not taken the disease; all which goes to show that imagination and fear have a great deal to do about taking diseases. Small pox is a sporadic disease, and there is no danger of contagion until the spore is germinated and float in the air. Being minute animalcules they are imperceptible to vision except under a powerful microscope, and the danger arises when the pustules, having broken, throw off the sporadic elements. Every person, however, should guard against every sporadic disease, for the germs pass through the atmosphere as minutely as do the sunbeams, and may be found where least expected. Vaccination is the surest preventive of small pox, and this should be thorough in every community. Isolation of the sick and the use of disinfectants prevent a spread of the contagion, while cleanliness and fearlessness will go a great way in protecting persons who may be exposed to it.

## The What is It.

No doubt many readers are puzzling themselves to know what Credit Mobilier is, so much talked about in the newspapers. They may imagine it to be some huge swindle or fraud, yet very few clearly understand how it came into existence, and what it is for. According to the best information that can be obtained, it is a private company, chartered some years ago, under the name of the Credit Mobilier of America, with the object of securing the profits to be made in the construction of the Union Pacific Railroad.

The directors of the railroad and the directors of the Credit Mobilier are the same individuals, and when it was not allowed the former to assume the building contract, the latter took it at high rates, letting it out to small companies at low rates, thus bringing in for division the profits of the difference. The Government subsidies when received were immediately divided, and building money loaned the road by the Credit Mobilier at two per cent. a month. Union Pacific Railroad stock was issued to the amount of \$25,000,000 and taken by the members of the firm; and no money was received except the government loan of \$25,000,000, interest and principal, by decision of Congress, not to be paid, unless desired, before the maturity of the loan, thirty years from parties occupying high places in the legislation of public affairs. They deny, however, its acceptance, till after all needed and possible legislation had been made and till a time when their action in Congress could not in any way be influenced by other than private interests. The investigation now making will show what the facts are in the case.

## The Legislature.—The Governor's Message.

The legislature of 1873 was promptly organized on Wednesday, by the choice of Dr. G. B. Loring of Salem, president of the senate, and the re-election of Mr. Sanford of Taunton, speaker of the House. Stephen V. Gifford was re-elected clerk of the senate, but W. S. Robinson, who has been clerk of the House for twelve years, was defeated by Charles H. Taylor of Somerville, who received 158 votes to 64 for Mr. Robinson. Major Morissey was re-elected sergeant-at-arms by both branches, and the senate elected Rev. Edward Abbott of Cambridge, for its chaplain. The president of the senate and speaker of the House made very good speeches on taking the chair, and in a short time both branches were ready for the election sermon, which was delivered in the House by Rev. Geo. C. Lorimer of Boston.

Governor Washburn delivered his message to the legislature on Thursday, and though shorter than last year, it is a sound and clear document, containing several new recommendations, and speaking his mind fully. The funded debt of the State has been reduced nearly two millions of dollars during the past year, and provisions are made for paying \$425,000 of the funded debt this year.

The Governor advises a consolidation of the Vermont and Massachusetts with the other railways on the Hoosac Tunnel route, and that the Vt. and Mass. road should be strengthened and thoroughly rebuilt. He thinks the law forbidding railroad crossings at grade should be repealed.

The Governor recommends the sale of our State prison and the building of a new one in a more healthy locality, and with better accommodations for classification, &c. He also recommends that the Bridgewater workhouse be abolished; that some one of our county houses be used for the men at Bridgewater, and such large boys as may need severe discipline. He would then convert the Bridgewater institution into a prison for women, of whom there are about 650 in the State. He thinks our county jails should also be improved and classified.

The Governor wants members of the military companies of the State enlisted for three years, so that changes will not be so frequent.

Gov. Washburn is still in favor of the prohibitory law, and says that while it is enforced in some places, and not enforced in others, is because the sentiment of communities differ. In some places the officers are aided, in others hindered, while courts and juries favor or frown upon the violators. He recommends that all persons licensed to sell shall be made to buy their liquors of the State agent, and secure a good article.

## Losses by Fire.

A fire in Alexandria, Va., Tuesday morning, destroyed a block of five brick ware houses. Loss \$100,000.

A fire Monday night, in Oswego, N. Y., damaged two stores to the amount of \$40,000.

St. James Episcopal church, a magnificent structure on Spring St., Cincinnati, was burned Tuesday morning. Loss \$40,000.

A heavy fire in Montreal, Monday night, destroyed property worth over \$500,000. The thermometer was 15 degrees below zero, and the water from the engines froze wherever it fell.

The calico print works of Harvey, Arnold & Co., at North Adams, were destroyed by fire on Thursday morning week. Loss \$150,000. Insured for \$100,000.

Eight of the finest stores and an unoccupied hotel were destroyed by fire at Galesburg, Ill., on Tuesday; loss \$100,000. Col's willow-ware manufactory at Hartford was destroyed Tuesday night; loss \$75,000.

At 5.45 Wednesday afternoon, the Fifth Avenue Theatre, New York, was discovered to have caught fire from a defective line, and in a very short time, was wholly destroyed, badly damaging several adjoining buildings, among others the Fifth Avenue hotel. The fire broke out immediately after the afternoon performance. The loss on the building and scenery was \$180,000. Many of the actresses lose their wardrobes and diamonds valued at thousands of dollars.

ANOTHER "SWAMP ANGEL" GONE.—Andrew Strong, the last but one of the famous "swamp angels" of North Carolina, was shot in a store at Eureka, last week Thursday. He threatened to shoot a young man named Wilson, a clerk in the store, if he did not leave town the next day. Wilson thereupon caught up a double-barrelled gun, loaded with buck-shot, and fired at Strong just as he was leaving the store, killing him instantly. The body was at once surrendered to a sheriff, who paid the young man \$1000, the reward offered by the county for each of the outlaws, either dead or alive. Besides this, Wilson will receive a reward of \$5000 from the State. The only remaining member of this formidable gang is Steve Lowery, all the rest having been killed.

A FAMILY MURDERED.—A private letter from Arizona says that the Lee family of circus performers, eight persons, well known in this State, were all murdered by Apaches while on their way to Mexico through Arizona.

SUICIDE AND MURDER.—At Mechanicsburg, Ohio, Sunday evening, a colored woman, named Bowson, in a fit of rage or insanity, cut the throat of her child and then cut her own throat. Both will probably die.

## PALMER AND VICINITY.

—L. A. Nelson has put up an elegant new sign over his dining rooms in the Commercial block.

—M. Fox, the oyster dealer, has moved into the store just vacated by C. A. Brown & Co., in American House Block.

—Read the advertisement of McKnight, Norton & Hawley's mammoth private sale of dry goods, in another column.

—At South Wilbraham, on Tuesday, the mercury sank as low as 25 degrees below zero; and on Wednesday to 20 below.

—C. H. Murdock, postmaster at Three Rivers, is authorized to receive subscriptions for the JOURNAL at our lowest rates.

—Thomas Jenks receives \$300 and James Rossbottan \$200 land damages from the Athol and Enfield R. R., which passes through their farms.

—The Hampden and Hampshire Good Templars' Union will hold its quarterly session with Crescent Lodge of Springfield, on Tuesday, Jan. 14th.

—Some 30 or more of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Breckenridge, made them a surprise visit on Thursday evening, and spent three or four hours in a very social manner.

—The Baptist Society of Three Rivers are to hold a festival and oyster supper at Pickering Hall, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 8th. Good singing and a social time is expected.

—The old building on the Boston & Albany square is to be moved back of the Commercial block as soon as the weather will permit, and is to be used for a workshop by C. A. Brown & Co.

—A "silver drawing" came off at the store of Clark, the Jeweler, on Thursday evening. H. G. Cross, the photographer, was the lucky man who drew a \$20 vase, and O. C. Marcy a handsome card receiver.

—A quarter of a century did not incapacitate the kind old horse which Shubal Chapman has driven regularly to the village once or twice a week for twenty-two years, but the epizootic did it, and he will no more graze in the green pastures.

—A man named Connor, belonging to Three Rivers, started for home Wednesday night, but having too much liquor aboard, fell upon the snow in front of David Knox's, and would have frozen to death had he not been discovered, and sent home in a team.

—The Palmer artist, William E. Miller, can be found at his studio in the new Commercial block every day (Sundays excepted), where he will be happy to see his friends, and all desiring pictures. Call and see specimens of his work, of which he has a good variety on hand.

—Peter Birkey of Thorndike was arraigned before our District Court Thursday week, charged with selling rum to some six or seven French boys, who told a straight story, and he was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and costs, amounting to \$60, for the offense. He readily paid his fine and went on his way rejoicing. On the 31st ult., Jerry Sullivan was convicted of getting drunk and assaulting Charles Simpson, on Christmas Day. Fined \$5 and costs of trial.

—Some 30 persons gathered around the stove at the Vestry Wednesday evening to discuss the question as to whether "the reading of the Bible in the schools should be enforced," and the house decided that it should be read. In the election of officers, E. O. Dyer, principal of the high school, was chosen President, with O. M. Graves and Dr. E. G. Wood vice-presidents. The question for discussion next week is: "Resolved, That the system of electoral colleges in the United States should be abolished."

## THORNDIKE.

The local conference of the several Congregational churches in Brimfield, Monson, Palmer and Warren will meet with the church in Thorndike, on Tuesday, Jan. 7th, at 10 o'clock a. m. Subject of discussion:—"The baptism of the spirit with its conditions. The public are invited."

## MONSON.

Mahlon Stanton, a young man about 17 years of age, was dangerously wounded Wednesday morning, through the careless handling of a pistol in the hands of George Arms, who was inspecting it. The ball struck the collar button of Stanton's shirt, and is imbedded in his neck. George Bannister, who was severely injured on the railroad last week, is convalescent.

The lecture on Wednesday evening by Miss Kate Stanton, was well attended, the house being almost breathless attention for the space of an hour or more. She has the necessary qualifications of a popular lecturer, uses choice and concise language, and gave one of the finest lectures of the course. The Glee Club will give a concert in a week or two, an account of which will be given next week.—The Cushman house is gaining popular notoriety at home and abroad, and every time a sleighing party visits it they return a vote of thanks to the proprietor for his uniform hospitality and good cheer.—Rumor says that the Monson Woolen Mfg. Co. are about to make alterations in their mill so as to enable them hereafter to manufacture all-wool goods, for it is a little on the "Rip Van Winkle" style to manufacture satins because our forefathers did and made money at it in their day.

## RE-DEDICATION OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Baptist church of this village, which has in the past few months undergone extensive repairs outside and in, will be re-dedicated on Thursday next at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. Dr. Geo. C. Lorimer of Boston will preach the dedicatory sermon. A large number of clergymen from the Westfield Baptist Association will be present, together with Dr. C. B. Crane of Hartford and L. J. Matteson of Brattleboro. It is also expected that services will be held in the church in the evening.

The church outside has been clapboarded and painted, and the audience room has been newly frescoed, and the floor newly carpeted. The frescoing was done by Fred. Weise of Springfield. In the rear of the pulpit is an ornamental arch, surmounted by the words, "Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world," and below, within the arch, is the Latin motto, "Veni, Agnus Dei." The arch is flanked by two windows, each with three panes, and a new furnace has been added. The cost of all these improvements is \$2500, most of which the society has already paid.

## SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

With the thermometer at from 15 to 25 degrees below zero, news is scarce. Snow is in abundance, and all seem to be using it as much as the cold weather will permit. All who have wood to haul seem to be impatient for the snow. The Springfield teams are herabouts considerable. Mr. King, the brick maker in Springfield, has eight teams hauling wood to his yard, and when all in a string they look like truck teams on a railroad.

—Marcus Chaffee lost a horse from sickness or overwork two days since. He died in the harness.—The parishioners of Rev. B. B. Chamberlain made him their annual donation visit on Wednesday evening (New Year's), filling his house and having a pleasant and agreeable time generally.

The ladies presented Mrs. Chamberlain \$80 in cash, with which they request her to purchase a black silk dress. The gentlemen made him presents in cash and wood amounting to \$80 or more, making in all some \$125 cash and \$40 in wood, which is very much needed about this time.—W. W. Wheeler, who has a family, and resided here some nine months, was arrested on the 30th ult., on a warrant from Northampton, charging him with the crime of adultery. The complainant is the father of Mrs. Wheeler, and the person with whom he committed the crime is the sister of his (Wheeler's) wife. He was arrested in Springfield, and carried to Northampton, and is now in jail awaiting examination. Mrs. Wheeler is making an effort to get him bailed out. He stoutly denies the guilt, says there is conspiracy in the family to break him down, and is confident it will result in his acquittal finally. s. w.

## WARE AND VICINITY.

—A Mrs. Kaley recently fell upon the ice and broke her leg in two places.

—Sergeant Vigent commenced business for himself New Year's evening, at the old grocery of Sheldon & Co.

—Mr. C. W. Eddy has published a New Year's address for 1873. It is got up in very pretty shape, and generally complimentary to all.

—The Peoples' Literary Society will hold its next meeting on Monday evening, Jan. 13th, at which time the railroad question will be debated.

—At the Unitarian church, on Sunday night next, Rev. Thos. Timmis will give a lecture on the following subject: "The New Year, and how to enter it." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

—At the M. E. church, on Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Ayres preached a sermon in answer to some of the grounds taken by Rev. W. H. Murray in his lecture. It is not much to say that the subject was handled in a masterly manner, and to the satisfaction of his large audience.

—The heavy snow storm of last week succeeded in blocking up nearly every railroad in the State. Our road was kept open, however, and ran the regular train and nearly on time. On account of delays on the Boston & Albany and New London one trip was missed, the train remaining in Palmer all night.

—The boys should know that this is the drowning season, and we would beg leave to inform those who were skating on the river in the rear of the "light house," so called, last Sunday, that the current is very swift in that vicinity, and we have often heard of boys being drowned on the Sabbath. Beware boys, and don't go on the ice when there is danger.

—On Thursday p. m., at the Hampshire House, the guardian of Frank J. Lathrop sold three parcels of real estate situated in Hardwick. The first 7 1/2 acres, a good timber lot, sold for \$75 per acre; the second 12 acres, covered with a fine growth of chestnut about thirty years old, sold for \$58.50 per acre to Dr. Holden. The third 29 acres of spruce land sold for \$6.50 per acre, to F. O. Lathrop of Boston. Auctioneer, A. F. Richardson of Gilbertville.

—Prof. Churchill, who was to give a reading at Music Hall on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Y. M. D. S., was not able to keep his appointment here, on account of the snow storm. Several dispatches were sent over the wires, but telegraph lines did not work much better than railroad, and the managers postponed the reading to some future time. The Prof., however, having received a dispatch to come if possible, started out before the second dispatch arrived at Andover, and put in an appearance at Ware about 9 o'clock Friday night. We understand that arrangements have been made for a reading by him next Friday evening, Jan. 10.

## SHOE MANUFACTORY.

All interested in the establishment of a boot and shoe manufactory were invited to meet at the Hampshire House on Thursday evening, in order to see what arrangement could be made (if any) toward furnishing the tools to carry on the business. If a good manufactory could be started it would no doubt increase the value of real estate in the village more than the whole cost of the building many times over.

## NEW YEAR'S EVE.

There are a variety of ways in which to celebrate New Year's, and all the several kinds were patronized here. The social party of the young men at Music Hall was a success, some sixty couples participating in the festivities and "tripping the light fantastic toe" till after the New Year had fairly commenced. At the M. E. Church the regular watch night services were performed. The sermon was by Rev. Mr. Ayers, and the prayer meeting exercises were continued till nearly 12 o'clock; then the silent prayer, the most solemn of all, during which the old year takes flight and the new one is ushered in; then a song of praise and the benediction. Nearly one hundred remained during the whole period. Meetings were held in various houses, but not so large a number in attendance, three making a crowd. These meetings were numerous, especially on South street.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—A collision occurred Tuesday morning between the freight train on the Indianapolis and St. Louis Railroad and the through passenger train from Cincinnati to Peoria, Ill. A passenger coach was thrown from the track down an embankment ten feet. The car was filled with passengers and turned over on its side. One lady and two children were seriously hurt.

STARVED TO DEATH.—A poor woman named Frances Patten was found in a Gay street tenement, in Brooklyn, last night, dead from starvation and want. Her infant will also probably die.

ESCAPE OF JAIL BIRDS.—All the prisoners in the Frankfort (Ky.) jail escaped Monday night by cutting through the roof.

## CURRENT NOTES.

At Southern hotels everything is fried except coffee.

The snow in the woods of eastern Maine is two and a half feet deep on a level. Ice on the lake at Duluth is two feet thick and still growing.

Nevada has a revenue of \$15,000 from gambling licenses, which it proposes to abolish.

Edwin Forrest's estate is valued at one million two hundred thousand dollars.

A boy of fifteen and a girl of thirteen years were married at Westerly, a few evenings since.

Gen. McClellan is being talked up as the successor of Joel Parker in the gubernatorial chair of New Jersey.

The Gatling gun is making its way into the armies of Europe, nearly every European nation having adopted it.

Rev. Mr. Hepworth is endeavoring to dispel the impression that Jesus Christ lived in obscurity and died in ignominy.

Mayor Stokely of Philadelphia is after the gamblers and lottery dealers of that city, and says if he is not interfered with will clear the city of all those illegal traffickers.

In Greenfield, Frank Osborne, who is a man of rather diminutive stature, being 3 1/2 feet in height, has just married Miss Mary Blanchard, a woman of more than ordinary large structure.

Sturbridge voted to subscribe \$40,000 in stock to the proposed Southbridge and Palmer Railroad, at a town meeting held on the 12th ult.

WEARING CAPS.—The manufacturers of all kinds of hair restoratives will not thank us for denouncing the wearing of warm fur caps. They look well, and are nice and warm, but they keep the head hot, and cause a thinning out of the hair. The reason we see more bald-headed men than women is because men wear a close covering for the head, while women do not. Give the head free ventilation and the hair will not come off except when caused by sickness. So those who prize a luxuriant head of hair must forego the pleasure of a fur cap, or cap of any kind, except it be punched with holes or left entirely open at the top. The old adage, "keep the feet warm and the head cool" is just as good advice now as it ever was, and is worth following.

HOW SMALL POX IS SPREAD IN BOSTON.—A day or two since a woman with a child in her arms called on a physician in Doston for advice, and was informed that the child had the small pox, and was advised to take it to the pest house immediately; but instead of doing this she started for the Old Colony depot, taking one of the trains for Braintree. The car was crowded with passengers, even the standing room being all filled. On her arrival at Braintree, Conductor Brown held the infant while the mother alighted from the train. Mr. Brown was informed, later in the day, that the child died before reaching East Braintree.

THE STATE PRISON.—The whole number of convicts now in the State Prison at Charlestown is 562, of whom 344 are under 30 years of age. Sixty-two are serving out life sentences; 180 are foreigners and 352 natives. Nineteen deaths have occurred during the past year, 12 of them from consumption. One fifth of the convicts voluntarily attend the Sunday school. The library has circulated 31,304 volumes during the year.

POOR FELLOW.—A Pittsburgh man has on hand a breach of promise case resulting out of a courtship done by correspondence with a lady in England. He paid her passage over, but on her arrival discovered that she was altogether another person, though bearing the same name as his supposed correspondent. Three lawyers are puzzling over the epistles of the case.

GO IT, SHIRT TAIL.—Sergeant Bates will still further immortalize himself next spring by marching through the State of New Jersey with the tail of his shirt fluttering in the breeze. He does this upon a wager of sixty cents that the youth of Jersey will not molest him nor volunteer the information that he has a letter in the post office.

JUST FOR FUN.—A three-year-old boy in St. Louis was left alone the other day with his sister, an infant aged one month, and "just to see the fun," so he said, he set fire to the dress of the infant as she lay on the floor. The screams of the infant brought back the mother, but too late to save her babe from a terrible death.

OUTRAGED.—James Ward, John Fitzpatrick, John Carwood and William Lyons, all dirty scoundrels and rascals of Brooklyn, are under arrest on a charge of ravishing a respectable woman. She is not expected to live.

THE KILLED AND WOUNDED.—In the ten months of 1872, ending November, 245 persons were killed by railroads in this country, and 779 wounded.

COMMUTED.—Daniel Gleason, the North Adams wife murderer, has had his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life.

A young lady at Glen Rock, Neb., of white parents and herself very delicate complexion, has turned as black as a negro since recovering from a fit of sickness.

They are digging up the ancient city of the Trojans, in Asia Minor, but as yet have not found the remains of the naughty Helen.

Corn is cheaper to burn in Iowa than coal, and had better be put to that use than to be made into whiskey.

Willy Clark, the boy who placed obstructions on the B. & A. R. track at Chester, is now at his father's house in West Springfield, having been bailed out by his father. The excitement of his arrest seems to have developed a tendency in him to consumption, and his sentence has been suspended.

Recent developments at Washington have so impressed Gen. Hawley, member of Congress from Connecticut, with the need of some powerful safeguard of good morals that he has joined the church. May his example prove useful to his heathen associates.

Barnum still keeps up good courage. He telegraphs from New Orleans that he has given orders to his European agents to expend half a million dollars for extra attractions, and will have a better show than ever, early in April.

Gov. Hoffman of New York retires to private life within a week, having held his office four years. He is expected to start for Europe soon, to be absent several years.

Benjamin Gratz Brown, Governor of Missouri, is fishing for the United States Senatorship, in place of Francis P. Blair, Jr., whose term expires on the 3d of March next.

PASSENGER TRAINS LEAVE PALMER. GOING EAST.—For Boston, 2.32 a. m. (express), 7.45 a. m. (way), 12.05 p. m. (way), 2.05 p. m. (express), 2.45 p. m. (express), 4.44 p. m. (way), 5.38 p. m. (express). Sundays—2.32 a. m. (express), 1.03 (express).

GOING WEST.—For Albany, 8.25 (way), 11.01 a. m. (express), 1.01 p. m. (way), 5.15 a. m. (express), 11.53 p. m. (express). For Springfield, 10.35 a. m. (way), 6.25 p. m. (way), Sunday, 11.32 p. m. (N. Y.).

GOING SOUTH.—For Belchertown, Amherst and Grafton, at 8.25 a. m., 12.20 and 6.20 p. m., connecting for Montreal. For Taunton, Ware and Gilbertville, 8.25 a. m., 12.10 and 5.50 p. m. For Andover, 8.25 a. m., 12.30 and 6.00 p. m.

GOING SOUTH.—For New London, 4.45 a. m., 8.35 a. m., 2.35 and 6.10 p. m.

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Liver complaint and dyspepsia are the causes of two-thirds of the cases of consumption. Many are now complaining with dull pain in the side, the bowels sometimes constive and sometimes too loose, tongue coated, pain in the stomach, and sometimes very nervous, and at other times drowsy; the food that is taken lies heavily on the stomach, accompanied with acidity and belching of air. These symptoms usually originate from a disordered condition of the stomach or a torpid liver. Persons so affected if they take one or two heavy colds, and if the cough in the lungs be suddenly stopped, the lungs, liver and stomach clog and remain torpid and inactive, and before the patient is aware of his situation, the organs are a mass of sores and ulcerated, and death is the inevitable result.

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At Thorndike, 30th ult., by Rev. T. A. Leete, MARCUS L. KNIGHT of Shrewsbury, Vt., and HATTIE R. DAVIS of Monson.

At Belchertown, 24th ult., WARREN G. FULLER of Litchfield and ESTELLA M. BAGGS.

At Westfield, 23d ult., S. H. ANDREWS of Enfield and GRACIE W. SHURT of Franklin, N. Y.

At Greenwich, 23d ult., EZRA P. S. ALDEN and MARY E. STEVENS.

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At Ware, 30th ult., SUSAN S. S., wife of Harrison French.

At Longmeadow, 29th ult., HANNAH ELY, 81.

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WM. W. MOORE, JOHN S. TRUMBULL, Monson, Oct. 7, 1872. 3v







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Due from reserve agents, 12,720.93

Due from other National Banks, 483.91

Banking house, 2,500.00

Current Expenses, 1,444.40

Cash items, 25.05

Bills of National Banks, 141.00

Fractional currency and nickels, 625.23

Legal tender notes, 11,245.00

\$399,350.34

## LIABILITIES.

Capital stock, \$150,000.00

Surplus fund, 30,000.00

Discount, 12,670.64

Exchange, 308.79

Interest, 5,853.87

Profit and loss, 33,972.33

Due to Congregationalists, 145,000.00

Dividends unpaid, 1,290.00

Individual Deposits, 9,643.43

Due to National Banks, 2,105.82

Premium account, 6,500.00

\$399,350.34

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E. F. MORRIS, Cashier.

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And lays them away in the churchyard mould.  
The birds are singing, the soft winds play  
The saddest of strains are passing away.

Passing away, passing away,  
Is written every bright thing of to-day;  
'Tis written on music, 'tis written on mirth,  
'Tis written on all the fairest of earth;  
'Tis written—but not on God's living soul—  
That spirit of life is beyond its control.

Passing away, passing away,  
The youth and the maiden in life's sunny day;  
Death kisses their cheeks, their roses have fled,  
Comes with the deathman across the dark river,  
The wild flowers bloom, the soft zephyr's play  
Death's solemn march, passing away.

Passing away, passing away,  
The mother's hope of the child at play,  
For the innocent and that sleep on his breast  
Is touched by death's wand and sinks down to rest.  
And the childless mother looks down and weeps  
Over the grave where her darling sleeps.

Passing away, passing away,  
Are the fairest of plants, the sweetest of day;  
The bright eye grows dim, the rosy cheeks pale,  
And weak is the form once hearty and hale;  
Yea, the angel of death, most beautiful ever,  
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Oh, come where life's joys will never pass away.

## A LOVE LEGEND.

Nestled between the cloud-capped mountains and the sea, in the sunny region of southern California, lies the beautiful town of Santa Barbara. Here, through the long winter months, the air is mild and balmy, and the hills are rich with verdure. The vine and acacia-trees mingle the grace of their perennial foliage with that of the sturdy live oak and the dark-leaved olive, all the year round; while flowers, both wild and cultivated, bloom in unbounded profusion.

Santa Barbara claims to be one of the most favored spots on the globe for healthfulness, the gentleness of its climate and the beauty and productiveness of its soil. The Neapolitans, the Santa Barbaras say, "See Santa Barbara and live!"

About four miles from the town, in the valley of Montecito, grows a most famous grapevine, one of the wonders of the tourist in southern California. It is the largest on record. It measures four feet four inches in circumference at the ground; forty-one inches, two feet from the ground, and rises eight feet before branching out, then, spreading with extreme luxuriance, its branches cover more than five thousand square feet, and are supported by fifty-two trellises. The largest branch is thirty inches in circumference, and were it not for rigid pruning, the branches would extend indefinitely in every direction. It is of the Mission variety and exceedingly prolific, producing annually from five to six tons of grapes, which hang in massive clusters beneath the trellises, the effect of which, in the mellow autumn time, excites admiration and wonder. It is claimed that it has produced 7000 bunches of grapes, varying from one to four pounds in weight each. A bean was put into a vase for each bunch plucked, until the beans numbered 7000. It grows on a sunny slope of the foot-hills, commanding a fine view of the rugged mountains in one direction, and in the other the lovely Montecito valley, with glimpses of the blue Pacific. The vine is irrigated by waters from a hot spring a few miles distant, and the country about the vine is very beautiful and Mexican in its natural and artificial surroundings.

There is a tradition connected with the origin of the vine we wish to record. Seventy years ago, during the occupancy of the Mission fathers, there lived in the vicinity of Los Angeles, a beautiful young Spanish girl. Nearly all Spanish girls, while in bloom and freshness of youth, possess more or less of the national cast of beauty; but the Senorita Marcellina had, from her complexion, been the acknowledged queen among the maidens of her native place. Her complexion, tinged with the warm, brunette hue of her race, was clear and bright with the rich tint of health. Her wealth of black hair fell in rippling waves far below her waist; and her large dark eyes were fringed with silken lashes that matched the exquisite pencilling of her arched brows above them. Her parents, though belonging to the better class of Spanish, had become poor, through extravagance and mismanagement, and had formed the project of bettering their fortunes by wedding their lovely daughter to some wealthy Don.

The lovely Marcellina did not lack for admirers; nor ardent lovers, and among them all Senor Carlos de Dominguez was the favorite and accepted suitor. He was handsome, tall, and manly, but alas! without fortune, and socially not the equal of Marcellina. As may be supposed, his Don and Dona Feliz, and they finding the attachment stronger than accorded with their plans for their daughter, resolved to move to Santa Barbara—a mission some hundred miles north—where resided many wealthy families, among whom they doubted not an alliance would be formed suitable in fortune and position.

The announcement of their contemplated removal struck dismay to the hearts of Marcellina and Carlos, but the latter, receiving courage from desperate necessity, presented his suit to the parents. As was anticipated, it was scornfully rejected, and forbidden intercourse sternly forbidden. The lovers were, however, too ardent to be separated thus, and, through the medium of an old Indian nurse, who was devotedly attached to the girl, they obtained one interview before parting.

In the early twilight, Marcellina stole out to an olive orchard, surrounded by an adobe wall, which lay back of the paternal mansion. Here she stood, waiting with throbbing heart the arrival of her lover, while her nurse kept watch on the other side of the wall, ready to give the alarm, by a signal agreed upon, should any one approach the house. Already the shadows lay dark beneath the thick, low branches of the olive-tree, and at every rustle and sound the fair transgressor started and trembled. Suddenly a tall figure sprang over the wall, and crept stealthily along in its shadow, till he came close to where the waiting maid stood. "Carlos," she cried, holding out her trembling hands. "Is it you, Marcellina? Ah, poor little one, how she trembles! They are very cruel, darling, but we will

not be separated. They shall not take you from me, my precious one."

And then he spoke low, and rapidly in the beautiful Spanish language—so exquisitely fitted for expressions of tenderness and endearment—telling her that, as her parents objected to their union on the ground of his poverty, he had determined to win wealth; that an old Indian, bound to him by ties of gratitude, possessed knowledge of a rich mine far away among the mountains, and to which he had promised to guide him and his company; and, by courage and skill, he would soon return to claim her hand from her ambitious, avaricious parents.

"Remain true to me, Lina, and resist their scheming. Wait for me but two years, my darling, and if, at the end of that time, you do not hear of me, know that I have perished in the attempt to win you."

He then gave her a cutting from a grapevine, telling her to carry it to her new home and plant it, keeping it as a reminder of him, and that, while it lived and flourished, she might know he loved her, and was true to her. The cutting was in the form of a riding-whip and as such she was to carry it, for her journey was to be performed on horseback.

Vowing eternal fidelity, the lovers parted, and the next morning, Don and Dona Feliz, with their daughter and attendants, started on their journey; while Carlos & Co., with their Indian guide, wended their way, full of hope and confidence, over the mountain trail.

Marcellina, as may be supposed, made little use of her grape-vine whip to urge her mustang along her weary way between Dos Angeles and Santa Barbara. Perfectly satisfied to plant the cutting upon the hillside, with many tears and prayers to the Virgin for the success and safety of her lover.

The vine grew and flourished with wonderful luxuriance, and gladdened the heart of the waiting maiden, who could hardly have borne the burden of anxiety and suspense without its silent encouragement; for the Don and Dona had found, as they thought, a suitable companion for their daughter, in a Spaniard of reputed great wealth, who promised them liberal compensation for her husband. He was short, of good circumference, and grizzled with years, but to counterbalance these defects in a lover his fingers and shirt-front shone with gems. Marcellina's violent opposition, however, while it did not move them to renounce their purpose induced them to postpone the marriage, in the hope that she would forget her former love, and become more reconciled to their will.

In the interval thus granted, the time for the return of Carlos had expired; and Marcellina prayed daily for the arrival of her betrothed, with the fortune that was to find him in the eyes of her parents. The two years were rapidly drawing to a close, and yet no sign or token had come, save what she found in the vigorous growth of her cherished vine. At length her parents, pressed with poverty and weariness, considered an idle fancy, fixed what they considered an idle fancy, fixed their choice, whose only recommendation was his wealth.

The eve of Marcellina's wedding day was the second anniversary of the parting in the olive-grove, when Carlos told her that, if he did not return or send her word within two years, she might know he was dead. She had crept away from the scene of busy preparation within her home, and, hiding herself behind a shadow of her beloved vine, which was now large enough to shelter her from casual observation in the uncertain gloaming, she sobbed and wept, prayed in hopeless anguish, to be taken away to the spirit world, where she believed Carlos to be.

Approaching footsteps arrested her attention. She started guiltily and attempted to hide her tears; for she dared not let her parents know she still mourned her absent lover.

"Lina—Lina!" greeted her ears in a familiar voice, and stayed her flight. Trembling she awaited the near approach of the intruder, when, with one wild, joyous cry of "Carlos," she dropped into his arms, her beautiful head pressed close to his throbbing heart.

It was, indeed, Carlos, returned at last, faithful to his promise, bringing with him a fortune at least equal to that of her aged and detested suitor.

Carlos, with ultimate success, had followed the Indian across the Coast range into the heart of the Sierras, where he proved the honesty of his guide and the truth of his promises by the marvelous deposits of gold to which he led them. Two years sufficed to gain the fortunes for which they so earnestly sought and strove.

All other things being equal, the Don and Dona consented that their daughter should choose between the suitors; and the next day, instead of being led to the altar, she watched her lover's return, and his bride of her adoring Carlos.

the faith which springs from an immortal love, and who watered it with her tears.—  
*Oerlund Monthly.*

**THE RUBBER.**—Dickey's parents, together with one or two evening visitors, had been spending an hour or two at whilst, during which amusement Dickey had heard several allusions to "the rubber." Young America, although usually wide-awake in due time becomes sleepy, as did Dickey on the evening in question. His grandmother put him to bed, and, as was her custom, read him a chapter in the Bible, remarking:  
"Now, Dickey, I have read you a whole chapter, and you must go to sleep."  
"No, grandma, I ain't so sleepy now; read another."  
The good lady complied, and said:  
"Now, you must go to sleep; I have read you two chapters."  
"No, not yet—read one more; read the rubber, grandma."

**GOOD NEWS FOR SOME.**—Better than all quack medicines is the invigorating power of the sun. Here is a bit of news for the bald-headed people. Says a writer from the silver mines of Montana: "A friend of mine who had the misfortune to be bald-headed, knowing that there is a wonderful invigorating power in the rays of the sun, started springing three ways his hat, and worked in the grass all spring, summer and fall, bare-headed, and also for the first few days at mid-day. For a few days the rays of the hot sun on his head were almost unbearable; after that time he experienced no uneasiness whatever. The result was that in the fall he had a good head of hair. And in this experiment he was not alone. Several of his acquaintances, who were bald-headed having followed the same plan were all fortunate enough to experience the same result."

**HORRIBLE PUNISHMENT.**—A Western paper gives a startling account of the punishment of a train wrecker. The engineer and fireman caught him and kept him under guard on the engine, which was soon on the track and under way. While speeding along, the engineer picked up a round stick of wood, and struck the criminal a stunning blow on the head. He then caught the wretched form of the poor wretch, and opening the furnace doors, threw his body into the hot, seething flame. The doors were shut, the train rattled along, and never, until the engineer confessed the act upon his death bed, was it ascertained what had been the fate of the fiend who had been in the habit of throwing the train off the track.

**SMALL MATTERS.**—The nerve of the tooth, not so large as the finest cambric needle, will sometimes drive a strong man to distraction. A mosquito can make an elephant absolutely mad. A coral rock, which causes a navy to founder, is the work of worms. The warrior that withstands death in a thousand forms may be killed by an insect. The pettiest wretchedness often results from deep trials. A chance look from those we love often produces exquisite pain or unalloyed pleasure.

**THE RIGHTS OF LONE WOMEN.**—A young woman in Louisville applied at one of the hotels in that city for lodgings, and was refused on the ground that being alone rendered her character liable to suspicion. Instead of appealing to the newspapers for redress, this young woman appealed to the courts, and as a reward for her enterprise recovered "damages" to a considerable amount, the court deciding that an innkeeper, if he has room, cannot refuse to entertain any well-behaved person.

**SUCH FOOLS.**—Bob—"Jim, de men don't make such fools of demselves about de women as de women do about men. If dey look at de moon dey see a man in it; if dey hear a mouse nibbling, its a man; and dey all look under de bed last thing at night to find a man. Why, I nebbber looks under my bed to find a woman, does you?"

**A kind old father-in-law** wanted to know why the Europeans were called cannibals, to which Barnum answered: "Because they live off other people." "Then," he replied, unhappily, "my four sons-in-law must be cannibals—they live off me!"

**A clairvoyant trio**, two women and a man, have been traveling in the South pretending to cure epizootic by the "laying on of hands." They practised on a Kentucky mule the other day, and the firm has since dissolved.

**You see that Thirlow Weed** has given up smoking, my son," remarked a gentleman to his son. "Well, I mean to do the same," replied hopefully, "when I reach his age." The boy had read the newspapers.

**Speaking of theoretical farming**, Josh Billings says that he once knew a man who wouldn't even set a gate post without having the ground analyzed to see if it possessed the proper ingredients for post holes.

**A Chicago paper** says that it is wonderful how quick the blind beggars of that city can tell the difference between ten cents and a quarter.

**A black cat** had been picked up by Mrs. Mason, of Wisconsin, to death, but she jabbed the tip of an umbrella into his eyes and he ceased.

**Among the items** in the report of the overseer of the poor of Rhode Island town is this: "Cash paid for funeral services, \$4."

**The Brooklyn Eagle** says of New Year's Day: "It is a great big Sunday, a day of rest, enjoyment, pleasure and good resolutions."

**A Ypsilanti (Michigan) firm** has manufactured 20,000 base ball clubs during the last year.

**None but fools** despise the opinion of the people.

**A closed mouth** and open eyes never did any one harm.

## Green Fields Just in Sight.

At the portals of the morning  
Stood a child with dainty feet,  
All about him golden sunshine,  
Fairy dew and blossom sweet;  
And with tender, dimpled fingers  
Plucked the flowers fresh and fair,  
And the overhanging branches  
Showed the dew-drops in his hair.

Looking forward o'er life's pathway,  
Saw he broader fields of green,  
Skies with snowy clouds so fleecy,  
Here and there blue shreds between;  
And with swifly flying footsteps  
Started he for fields more bright;  
But in vain he hurried onward,  
They were always just in sight.

Warmer, brighter grew the sunshine,  
Broader, richer grew the way;  
But with green fields just before him  
Nothing could his footsteps stay;  
So he wandered on till morning  
Took the place of childhood fair,  
Then he threw aside his flowers,  
Wiped the dew-drops from his hair.

Oward, onward, toiling, striving,  
Helping others with his might,  
Described he that the blooming fields  
That are always just in sight  
Lay beyond the dark old river,  
For they were only wish and wait,  
Till the Master calls us over,  
And unbars the pearly gate.

There is a man in Doyleston, ten years of age, who ate eighty breakfasts a few days ago, and chopped two cords of wood before walking a mile; or else he was two years old, and chopped ten breakfasts and a cord of wood before walking eighty miles; or he was eighty years old and chopped ten miles before walking into a cord of wood at breakfast; or he was eighty years old and walked ten miles and chopped two cords of wood before breakfast. It was somehow that way.

A gentleman handed up a ten dollar bill in one of the Boston Red Line coaches, from which one fare, five cents, was to be taken. "Look a' here," said the driver, down through the hole, "which of these horses do you want to buy with this ten dollars? 'Well,' coolly replied the gentleman, 'I thought I might get both for that.'"

A man who is allowed to grow up with his mind entirely neglected, has inflicted upon himself a grievous wrong. He is cut off from the sweetest, noblest sources of happiness; and even if he is regarded simply as an agent for the production of wealth, he is made by ignorance comparatively useless and inefficient.

"Don't say you will become rich till you have asked your wife. Of all spendthrifts that nature ever invented, a thoughtless woman is the most so. 'We care not how much money a man may make if his wife does not second his endeavors, he is just as sure of dying poor as if he kept a grocery store and trusted everybody."

Somebody writing in the London Globe declares that there are more bachelors than there used to be; that women have lost the charms of patience, modesty, unselfishness and tenderness, and that consequently "old maids" are swarming everywhere and making the earth a hard and dreary desert.

The Danbury News says that a boy who was told he should always cheer the aged, tried "three times three and a tiger" on his grandmother, Christmas morning, and the old lady was so startled that she spilled a box full of snuff on him. He looks upon the beauties of nature with his left eye now.

Judge Smith after he was severely married a second wife considerably his junior. One day soon after the ceremony he was riding with her, and coming to a hill she bantered him with the remark, "Judge, my father always walked up the hill." "So did my first wife," replied the Judge.

"Why is it," asked a Frenchman of a Swiss, "that you Swiss always fight for money, while the French only fight for honor?" "I suppose," answered the Swiss, "that each fights for what he most lacks."

A baby was born in Cincinnati some time ago, whose mother was sixty-nine years old, and his father seventy-four. Abraham and Sara will have to look out for their laurels.

When a twelve year old girl in Lincoln, Neb., gives birth to a healthy child, the people call it a "feat of nature." The girl says that it is not his name.

An agent for a South Kansas newspaper lately traveled one hundred miles on foot to collect \$100 on subscriptions past due. He raised two dollars.

Upon the marriage of Miss Wheat, of Virginia, an editor hopes that her path may be flowery, and that she may never be thrashed by her husband.

A man advertises for a competent person to undertake the sale of a new medicine, and "that it will prove highly lucrative to the undertaker."







streets, Springfield, Mass.  
All business transacted connected with patents and draughtsmen sent to any point to prepare for incomplete inventions in machine short notice.











# The Journal.

SATURDAY, JAN. 25, 1873.

PRESIDENT GRANT has given orders that persons who hold state offices, with the exception of sheriffs, justices of the peace, and commissioners to qualify civil officers, cannot hold United States offices after the first of March. That is a good order and a good many persons will have to hold one office less than they do.

LORD BULWER LYTTON, the English novelist, historian and one of England's ornaments in the literary world is dead. He was the contemporary of Dickens and Thackeray, but won his laurels before their rise to fame. He was a man of more talent than genius, highly cultivated, and with high literary ambition. He died at the age of sixty-seven.

The regular doctors, envious of the success of Miss Williams, city physician of Springfield, are trying to prevent her re-appointment. She has gained hosts of friends in her practice, and has given better attention to the city's sick than they had been accustomed to have. It is comforting to hear that the board of health will probably re-elect her, notwithstanding the wire pulling of the male doctors.

Look out for a rise in coal, notwithstanding a plan is on foot by which it is said that a great saving will be made by establishing coal depots at all prominent points by a combination company of the Pennsylvania coal dealers. This combination will have control of all the railroads running to the mines, and do their own shipping, charging profits to be established by a board of managers. It is contended that the coal business has not paid, and it is proposed to make it remunerative now.

Men's ambition runs in various ways. While one aspires to be a congressman another desires the position of driving an omnibus. One labors and strives to win laurels by acts of heroism and honor while others seek notoriety by acts of meanness and dishonor. The most ambitious man for notoriety in Springfield is one who rules ladies' dresses by squirting tobacco juice on them in the night time. He has been at this business for a number of months, and no doubt glows over his achievements as he reads in the morning paper once or twice a week that such a lady had a valuable silk dress spoiled the evening previous by his filthy performance. So ardently does he carry on this nefarious work that the most argus-eyed policeman has not been able to discover his lair, or track him on his dirty expeditions. Springfield isn't proud of him and she is ready to spew him out of her mouth.

The prison commissioners of the State recommend that the legislature abolish the present system of prisons and divide the State into seven prison districts, each district to have a jail, workhouse, and house of correction; the workhouse for habitual drunkards and vagrants, the houses of correction for the punishment of crime, and the jails for holding persons awaiting trial. Each house of correction and workhouse to be used for a jail, except the house of correction at South Boston. For instance, Hampshire, Hampshire and Franklin be constituted one district, with a workhouse at Springfield, at Northampton a house of correction, at Greenfield a jail. It is proposed to have a prison master for each district, to be appointed by the Governor. Berkshire county would have its workhouse and house of correction at Pittsfield. This plan, coupled with that in Gov. Washburn's message to make a prison for women of the Bridgewater workhouse, is worth thinking about.

FIFTY or twenty-five years ago people would have laughed at the idea of a national weather prophet. But we have got one, supported by the national treasury, and his predictions almost invariably prove correct. Old Probabilities is the prophet, and his predictions are based on scientific principles. He has been at the business a year or two, and now proposes to establish centers in every two hundred miles square of territory east of the Mississippi, from which daily bulletins of the weather are to be issued to all the post-offices in each district. These bulletins are to be posted conspicuously in frames at the post-offices, where people are in the habit of making daily visits. By these means it is hoped that agricultural communities may be warned of approaching storms and frosts, so as to save their crops. Drouths, floods, fair and foul weather will be foretold on these bulletins, with a view of saving property and economizing the labor of the farmer. The whole country is now mapped into districts, and as soon as possible postmasters will be provided with the necessary facilities for communicating weather intelligence to the central offices, and to the people of their own vicinity. The enterprise is one of great importance to the country, and will grow in usefulness as it grows in perfection.

TERRIBLE DISASTER.—A terrible disaster occurred in the English channel Wednesday night. The emigrant ship Northfleet, on its way to Australia, with 412 passengers on board, exclusive of her crew, was run into by an unknown foreign steamer at midnight, and cut to the water's edge. Only 97 persons out of all on board are known to have been saved. The Northfleet was anchored when the collision occurred. The steamer kept on its way without stopping to aid the disabled vessel, thus leaving the sufferers to their fate.

## CURRENT NOTES.

The coal combinations have already increased the price of fuel.  
The Postmaster at Mobile, Ala., is a defaulter to the tune of \$30,000.  
A portion of the colliery lumber in Boston is to be used for the new flooring of the Old South Church.

A Montana man has presented a five-acre cemetery to the town of Bozeman to celebrate his wife's recent demise.

The whole number of cigar manufacturers in the United States is 12,294, employing 71,491 men.

The New York criminal lawyers are trying to break down the "intelligent jury law" as ruinous to their practice.

A masked boy knocked at a door in Independence, Ia., and threw a young lady into it. Her life is despaired of.

An Indiana negro was last week sentenced to \$1000 fine and three years' imprisonment for marrying a white woman.

A devout Catholic named Menusen, of Marshall, Mo., starved himself to death last week in an attempt to fast absolutely for forty days.

Four weeks of honey-moon were sufficient for a St. Louis couple, who then divided effects and separated.

The corn crop in the United States for the year 1872 was the heaviest ever grown, reaching the enormous total of 1,100,000,000 bushels.

There is much alarm at Boston over the small pox, which does not seem to abate. Many families are panic-stricken, and are fleeing the city. It is estimated that 3000 cases exist at the present time, and the deaths are greater than by all other causes combined.

Two hospitals have just been established for small pox, and they were filled to their capacity in two days after opening. Most of the burials are made in the night, and from midnight till daylight there are busy times in the city and at the cemeteries.

Judge Colt, of the supreme court, was taken quite sick with varioloid Saturday night, and was taken from his rooms, at the Revere House at midnight to the Roxbury Almshouse. The disease is seriously affecting business, and its damage to the commercial interests threatens to be as large as that occasioned by the great fire. The suburban cities are afflicted with the disease, and there is no prophylactic when it will abate, much less be eradicated.

We have always contended that there is a good deal of useless flummery in law, but after reading the indictment against Mrs. Susan B. Anthony, who is charged with voting at a recent election, we can no longer doubt its necessity. The indictment charges that she "was then a person of the female sex, contrary to the form of the statute of the United States of America in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the United States and their dignity."

People who have not been aware that there is a statute against being a woman, will see the force of the indictment.

ANOTHER COLD-BLOODED MURDER.—Two young printers in New York, Magruder and Lockwood, boarding at the same house, got into a quarrel Sunday, and Magruder, who was sober, received a slap in the face from the intoxicated Lockwood.

Magruder did not retaliate, but only replied, "I will shoot you for this to-morrow." The next evening he came home, and not finding Lockwood at the supper table, went to his room, and without a word coolly shot his victim twice, the second shot proving fatal. The murderer was arrested and taken to the station house.

When Lockwood was brought in on a stretcher he turned round to look at him. "Mac," said Lockwood, "what did you do this for?" "I told you I'd shoot you," coolly responded the other "and I did, didn't I?" Is hanging "played out" in New York City?

Was it a SUICIDE?—Napoleon Coochier, a young Frenchman, was found in a dying condition at Holyoke, near the Williamsett bridge, one night last week, with a bullet hole through his body. He was insensible from the time he was discovered, till Saturday night, when he died, and could give no account as to how he was shot. A pistol was found on the bridge, and it is thought very probable that he shot himself, on account of a love affair. The boy, for he was scarcely more, was employed on the Connecticut River railroad in March, at Lynn on the Boston and Maine road in August, and for two months on the Boston and Albany road. His father is a large farmer at Westmore, Caledonia county, Vt.

THE FRESHET ON THE SUSQUEHANNA.—The ice in the Susquehanna river banked up in front of the town of Port Deposit, Md., and flooded the town on Monday, and destroyed a vast amount of property. The ice gorged in the river to the depth of nearly thirty feet. The whole town was inundated, and the water flowed through the Main street six feet deep, carrying everything before it. Hundreds of families have been made destitute, and the loss is expected to amount to over seventy-five thousand dollars. The ice on Wednesday was gorged for miles above and below the town to a great depth.

SNOW UPON BUILDINGS.—The Massachusetts Supreme Court has decided that by maintaining a building with a roof constructed so that the snow and ice collecting on it from natural causes will naturally and probably fall into the adjoining highway, the owner of the building is liable to a person injured by such a fall upon him while traveling on the highway.

West Springfield and Eastampton are suffering severely from small pox.

## PALMER AND VICINITY.

The ice harvesters are busy.  
—Nice slipping for the sleighs.

—David Joy has been appointed postmaster at Ludlow.

—Holland had three marriages, three deaths and four births in 1872.

—There were 20 births, 7 marriages and 8 deaths in the town of Wales during the year 1872.

—H. H. Bartlett, formerly of this town, is engaged in the real estate business at Holyoke.

—A good many young people of this vicinity have been Black Crooked at Springfield this week.

—The freshest last week covered the meadows with huge cakes of ice, some of them a rod square.

—A well-known citizen of Wilbraham, William Kent, broke his ankle, last week, by falling on the ice.

—Very interesting meetings have been held at the Cong. vestry this (Friday) evening. Admission 25 cents, children under twelve 15 cents.

—An extra train will return to Palmer at the close of the Thomas concert in Springfield, next Monday evening, at half-fare, for all who attend the concert.

—The Nassowanno house is getting to be very popular with sleighing parties and Landlord Weeks will undoubtedly do his very best to keep up its good reputation.

—James Dockery of Wales, who preaches for the "Church of Christ" at East Brimfield, was made \$40 richer and much happier by a donation party, Monday night.

—A horse owned by Walter Hutchins of Wilbraham had a lively runaway in Springfield this week, and was only stopped after running over a sled load of coal, and into a four-horse team.

—The Charitable committee of the legislature, accompanied by their wives, listened to an entertainment of the children at the State Primary School, Thursday evening, and spent Friday forenoon in examining the institution.

—On account of outside attractions, the meeting of the Palmer Lyceum Wednesday evening was not very largely attended. A paper was read by Mrs. E. L. Davis, and the meeting then adjourned for two weeks.

—Jason A. Palmer, town tax collector, wishes us to remind all tax-payers that those who do not "pay up" before the 15th of February will have their names printed in the town report, as ordered by a vote of the town.

—A snow slide from the roof of the State Primary School prostrated a procession of little boys, breaking the nose of one, nearly fracturing the leg of another, and injuring four of them so badly that they had to be taken to the hospital.

—The trial of Tom Owens for an assault on Tom Callahan, came up again before the District Court on Monday. After hearing the evidence Judge Allen decided that the Court had no jurisdiction in the case, and bound Owens over in \$3000 to appear at the higher court in Springfield next May. In default of bail Tom was taken to the jail in Springfield for safe keeping.

—Mr. Geo. W. Sheldon of Belchertown, who devised to commence a singing school Thursday night, was on hand at the appointed time, but other meetings on the same evening drew off all the young folks, and Mr. Sheldon deemed it advisable to adjourn till next Friday evening, at 7.30 o'clock. All who wish to learn to sing should be present at that time.

—"Blitz, the original," and the great LeFort, gave a very good exhibition of sleight-of-hand, magic, etc., on Thursday evening, at American House Hall, and repeated it Friday and Saturday evenings, with good houses each night. The gifts advertised were distributed with seeming fairness and great liberality. A handsome bouquet was awarded to the handsomest lady in the hall, and Miss Ellen Thayer was decided to be the belle on the first evening.

—The county commissioners have directed that the amount of the fund from dog licenses, not expended for damages, etc., be refunded to the several towns, in proportion to the number of dogs, as follows:—Belchertown \$125.09; Holland \$50.03; Palmer \$102.57; Monson \$67.15; Palmer \$132.73; Wales \$88.55; Wilbraham \$214.13. The greatest amount of damage done in the county by dogs was in the town of Ludlow, amounting to \$251.95, and town of Palmer \$201.

—Mr. Heywood, engineer of the Ware River R. R. and his assistants were in this village, Tuesday, and made three surveys to determine the best plan of bringing the Ware River R. R. to our depot to connect with the B. & A. R. R. They will report three lines to the directors for their consideration, viz:—First, to bring the road on the north side of the present brick freight depot, and continuing on, join the main track of the B. & A. R. R. beyond the second tank house; second, to run the track on the north side of the freight house, and to move the brick freight house north towards Main street and along the Ware track to run in on the south side of the same.

—The Saturday afternoon train down from Athol, had a very narrow escape from below Greenwich. As the train approached the bridge over the Swift River, the engineer discovered that the bridge, which was of stringers supported by two frame trusses in the river, appeared weakened and unsafe from the high water. He immediately gave the signal for "down brakes," but the distance however, was so short that the train could not be stopped, and the rear car had just passed over when the trusses that supported the bridge were swept out by the water, and the bridge fell into the river. It was a narrow escape from a serious, if not fatal accident.

—The freshest last week broke through the coffee dam in the stream at Three Rivers where the foundation of the wheel house is going in, submerging the engine used for pumping water, and delaying work for some days.

—Prof. Loomis of Springfield has formed a dancing class in college, numbering somewhat over fifty.

—Rev. J. O. Peck, of Springfield, lectured in College hall, Wednesday evening, on "Pinch or Good Luck."

—Wendell Phillips will lecture here next Friday evening. A college restaurant will be opened next term, which will furnish board for \$2.50 per week.

## ADDITIONAL NOTES—THE GIRL IN BOY'S CLOTHES.

In order to clear away the doubt of the Springfield Union, with regard to Addie Walker being identical with the girl arrested at Chicago in boy's clothes, and brought back east, we would state that the "hard hearted officer" who came back with Addie to Palmer, claimed to be Detective Simonds of the Chicago police. On arriving at Palmer Mr. S. hired a team and drove the girl down to West Warren to see a Mr. Orcutt. When in Springfield Addie had been employed for over a year and a half by a son of Mr. Orcutt, and is spoken of as being a very active and faithful servant. But some three months ago she left them, saying that she "could make money easier than at house-work." Her suit of boy's clothes that they were for her husband, and the rest of the story is already known.

The girl is well-known in Warren, and bears the reputation of having been a very "fast" girl ever since she was 16 years old. She is now 22, instead of 17, as she claimed. She has visited this town, at least once since her return east. She was closely veiled, and attempted to avoid recognition. The great mystery is as to where she gets her money, and what her object is in traveling in this manner.

WILBRAHAM.

As a matter of course, there is very little of change to chronicle in this staid old town since my last communication. The every-day life of the place moves on in the same old style it has been moving along back as the memory of your correspondent reaches him. Now and then a birth, marriage or death occurs, creating its little circle of joy or sorrow for a season, and then everything is as tranquil as before. At the institution, and in its immediate vicinity, the bustle and incident inseparable from a company of four hundred young people is considerable, and many "capers" are constantly being "cut up" by the unruly boys, notwithstanding the unceasing vigilance of the doctor and his assistants.

The number of students this term is unusually large, and the school is in a very prosperous condition. At the north end a great change has been going on all summer, and a thriving village is now springing up where a few years ago was a heavy growth of timber. One getting off the cars there now, who has not visited the place since he came to speak and pray in the old campmeeting times, would be loth to believe it the same Wilbraham he used to come to. The new paper mill is fast approaching completion, and will soon be running unless something unforeseen turns up to prevent.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.

The upper dam of the Lacawac mill was considerably damaged while the ice was going down the river last week, but did not cause the mill to stop, and the break has been repaired.

—The dramatic society are soon to give us an entertainment at Academy Hall, which it is expected will exceed the one given last year.

—The local editor of the Republican is informed that this party was composed of one hundred and sixty-five children from school districts No. 4 and 6 of this place. The editor must also bear in mind that "tail oaks from little acorns grow," and that years hence some of the lads may grow to be "tail oaks," or local editor of some city paper, and then they must of course be competent judges of "Heavenly music."

Had this man been present on their return to Academy Hall, he would have witnessed their merry sports, their joyful songs over the day's ride, and seen them partake of the bountiful repast furnished for their arrival, he would have been paid for writing his puff, although their music in Springfield "wasn't excessively heavenly."

—The religious interest on the line in Stafford, under the labors of Rev. A. W. Bennett increases daily. Meetings are held in two districts contiguous to "Crown Hill," and the work seems to be spreading all over the place.

—Through West Stafford, Mr. Bennett is to give a Pleading Band of seventeen laymen. Five went forward for prayer, the first meeting in one locality, Wednesday evening. Another meeting is to be held in the same place next week.

—The friends and neighbors of Coridon Root, to the number of seventy-five, made him a surprise visit on the evening of the 22d inst., and passed a very pleasant evening.

MONSON.

David, son of D. W. Darling, killed two long black snakes last Tuesday, measuring respectively 4 feet 10 inches and 4 feet 6 inches long. Mr. Darling also has a kitten four months old that has caught and killed 33 rats and six mice in nine consecutive days.

—Carlos L. Peck has been appointed a Justice of the Peace. The annual festival of the M. E. Church occurs on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Feb. 4th and 5th, and will consist of tableaux, etc.

—Wm. H. Gates, formerly of Monson, has but now residing in Cambridgeport, has had the varicella, as also have two members of his family, but they are now all over it, and having been confined and shut up for three or four weeks are now glad to get out and see the outside world.

—At the Universalist convention held at Green's hall, on Tuesday, Rev. Mr. Bradley, of Dana, preached from Matt. 25, 40: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." The speaker said that good work, both temporal and spiritual, were here indicated as the duty of all, and that in serving our fellow men by deeds of charity and kindness we were following the Master. The evening discourse was by Rev. Mr. Emerson of Boston. Wednesday morning Rev. Mr. Moore preached in regard to evangelical churches, their apparent recognition by other sects, that until recently the Universalists had not been considered evangelical, but he claimed that all religious denominations who worshipped and preached the fundamental principle of the Bible, although differing from others, still had the right to claim themselves evangelists. In the afternoon, Rev. Mr. Safford of St. Paul's church, of Springfield, preached from the text: "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." The speaker was ably assisted by his family, and presented to his hearers the great love of God to

man, and the impossibility of anything but love on his part. A good point in such a discussion might be made if the duty of man were also pointed out, and this great love made reciprocal on the part of man. However much God may love his creatures, and however impossible it may be that he should have any but the best desires for their future good, yet there must be something on our part, and we must return that love and obey the first requirements of our Heavenly Master, in order to enjoy that love.

WARREN AND VICINITY.

—All having claims against the town are requested to present them to the selectmen on or before Jan. 31st.

—Mr. Henry A. Root, our young business mason, is taking a two months' trip, to Washington and vicinity.

—The Unitarian sociable given in the vestry of the church on Monday evening was very fully attended, and the entertainment first-rate.

—Another social party will be given at Music Hall, on Thursday evening next. Excellent music will be furnished and a good time is expected.

—At the session of the Probate Court at Amherst, on Tuesday week, Charles A. Stevens, Esq., was appointed administrator of the estate of Maj. Samuel H. Phelps.

—The Grattan Debating Society present the drama "Ten nights in a bar room," at Monson this Friday evening. A dance and supper occur after the entertainment, while an extra train will be provided for their return.

—The second annual fair of the French Catholic society was held on Thursday and Friday evenings. We remember our feelings after the description last year, and this year we shall be better able to tell about them next week.

—All lovers of orchestral music will be pleased to learn that Theodore Thomas and his suite will appear at Springfield, Monday evening, Jan. 27. An extra train will return after the concert to accommodate those who may wish to attend.

—The presentation of "Post of Honor," by the G. A. R., last week, was very well done. The attendance the second and third evenings was good, but the first and fourth nights rather slim. The music could not be improved. Net profit, about \$50.

—Mr. Theodore Field, who died at his residence last Friday from a paralytic shock received the day before, is one of the oldest persons in town. Though quiet and unassuming in his manners, this christian gentleman will be lovingly remembered by a wide circle of friends.

—The Y. L. C. S., translated, Young Ladies' Charitable Society, gave their annual fair and festival at the Cong. chapel, on Wednesday evening. The attendance was large, the refreshments ample, and the waters—well, let those judges who received favors at their hands. The success of the festival was \$50 in hard cash.

—The largest sleighride of the season came off Thursday, under the direction of Mr. E. J. Lathrop. Too much praise cannot be awarded the young man for his perseverance in the management of the affair. Palmer was the objective point, and the hospitality of the landlord of the Nassowanno House was amply tested.

—On Monday evening, about 8 o'clock, fire was discovered in Sheldon's tobacco barn, situated between the Palmer and Ware Town roads. The barn was filled with tobacco, and before the alarm became general the whole building was in flames. The barn was owned by W. C. Sheldon, and insured for \$1000. The tobacco was owned by W. C. Sheldon and Davis Brothers, and insured for \$1200.

—At the Unitarian church, on Sunday night next, Rev. Thos. Timmins will give the concluding half of his lecture on "The Present State of Liberal Christianity throughout the World." The lecturer will give an account of the Liberal Christian Bodies in the United States, what Liberal Christianity is, and a summing up of its numbers and influence everywhere.

—Daniel Brown was arraigned before Trial Justice Richards, a few days since, on complaint of State constable Lewis for being a common seller of intoxicating liquors, and also for two illegal sales. The Justice found the evidence satisfactory, and he was sentenced to pay a fine amounting to \$30, costs of court, and fifty days in the House of Correction, and was bound over in the sum of \$400 not to sell for one year.

—Last Saturday evening the Farmers' Debating Club of District No. 7, discussed the temperance causes more wisely than fashion. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Mary Cummings. To-night the paper will be read by Mr. John Powell, and the drama "Bread on the waters," will be played by the amateurs of the club. Come early to insure a good seat. Exercises will commence at 7 p. m.

—A Hardwick correspondent writes us as follows: "Editors Standard, Books of travel and popular lectures have done much to dispel the ignorance and prejudice that exist in our minds with regard to the mother country. Not the least among these is the lecture by Rev. Thomas Timmins upon 'English life and history.' Himself an Englishman and lately from England, he speaks from a long experience, and a careful study of the facts which they present. Having listened to his lecture such is the opinion of many of his hearers."

WARE RIVER R. R.—The directors of the Ware River railroad held a meeting in this city Saturday, and compared notes, to ascertain whether the bond-holders were disposed to agree to the proposition to surrender one-third of their bonds for a construction fund, in order to extend the road from Gilbertville to Winchendon. The stockholders are widely scattered, and not all of them have been heard, so that the prospect of the extension of the road cannot be accurately foreshadowed. Springfield Union.

CRUELTY.—A brutal fellow named Walker, living in Worthington, pulled out his horse's tongue, the other day, because he could not draw a load, and has been fined \$35, including costs. He ought to be thankful for getting off so cheaply.

A COLD-BLOODED MURDER.—A New York bill-poster named Nixon, had some slight altercation with a stranger the other night, and drawing his pistol, shot him dead. He claims that he did the deed in self-defense.

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THE MODOC WAR.—An attack was made by Col. Wheaton on the Modoc stronghold, on the 17th inst., and the fight lasted from 6 o'clock in the morning till dark. The whites lost 14 killed, and 23 wounded. The Indians fought naked and under cover of the rocks. Their sharpshooters were terribly accurate, and picked off the soldiers from behind their covers, obliging many to hide, themselves, until darkness covered their retreat. About three hundred white troops are now in the field, and re-inforcements are expected.

A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.—Tuesday evening, while the workmen at a Pittsburg, Pa. Foundry were moving a ladle filled with several tons of molten metal, the crane hooks broke, letting the iron fall into a hole which contained some two feet of water, and a terrific explosion followed. The roof of the building was carried away and the walls cracked, and houses in the vicinity had their windows badly shattered. Several workmen were slightly injured. The foundry was damaged \$10,000.

THE WESTFIELD MURDER.—Albert H. Smith was arraigned in Springfield on Monday, before Judge Seth Ames of Brookline for the murder of Charles Sackett of Westfield. He pleaded "not guilty," and M. B. Whitney of Westfield and Henry Morris of Springfield were selected as his counsel. His trial will begin on Monday, Feb. 10. Mr. Morris has declined to serve and another man will be appointed in his place.

DROWNED.—A Baltimore paper reports that two men, their wives and five children, were isolated Saturday on an island in the Susquehanna river near Port Deposit, by the ice gorge and flood. Efforts to reach them were unavailing, though their shrieks for assistance were heard a long distance.

HEAVY FIRE.—A fire at Parker's Landing, Pa., Monday, destroyed a large number of dwellings, besides large buildings, rendering over a hundred families homeless, and entailing a loss of over \$100,000. Two or three houses were blown up to stop the conflagration.

TO BE HUNG.—In the case of Foster, the car-hoek murderer, the court of appeals at Albany, N. Y., has affirmed the judgment of the lower court and ordered that court to execute its sentence; consequently Foster will have to swing.

TELEGRAPHIC.—The news of the re-election of President Grant on Nov. 5 reached Melbourne, Australia, via London, about 8 p. m. on Nov. 6. The Melbourne Argus says this may be placed "among the telegraphic triumphs of the age."

NO BEER.—The committee of the Legislature on the liquor law has voted—eight to three—to report a bill, striking out the beer clause from the prohibitory law. This action of the committee was a foregone conclusion.

A NEW IDEA.—The merchants of North Adams have contributed the names of those customers who don't pay, and the whole is to be consolidated and hung up in one of the stores for general consultation.

LITTLE CLIPS.

—Boss Tweed is "sorely tried" at New York.

—There is a touch of winter mildness just now.

—Springfield is getting into the small pox business.

—Even Stokes is getting down-hearted at his prospect.

—Only 18 persons obliterated by small pox in Boston in three days this week.

—The money market is reported easier, but where is the money?

—Females Woodhull and Claflin, with their affinity, Col. Blood, have been arrested again.

—Forty millions fish have been converted into oil and guano within a few miles of New Haven this season. The total product is about 132,000 gallons of the former, and 4,980 tons of the latter, and its estimated value is \$112,820.

—Frank Darling, a married man and overseer in the Rochdale Mills, was committed to jail in Worcester on Monday on the charge of criminal assault upon a girl sixteen years of age. He alleges complicity on her part.

—The conductor of a Pennsylvania railroad train discovered a can of nitroglycerine, wrapped in an old overcoat, lying on a seat in the car. It was let down in the snow very carefully.

—Twenty-five Amherst College Freshmen have formed themselves into a boarding club on the principle of total abstinence from cake, pastry and "goodies" in general.

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DIED. At Palmer, 13th, MATILDA J., 23, wife of Alfred F. Shearer. (Corrected.) At Chelsea, 20th, WILLIAM McELWAIN, 72, formerly of Palmer. At Ware, 17th, THEODORE FIELD, 75; 21st, Mrs. J. L. ROSE, 22. At Monson, 22d, by Rev. C. H. Vinton, GEORGE A. ASHLEIGH of Springfield and IDA A. KEFF of Monson.

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Reveries rise with the smoke-wreaths;  
Memories tender surround me;  
Girls that are married and buried  
Gather around me.

School girls, in pantafoes, romping,  
Girls that have grown to be misses,  
Girls that have liked to be kissed,  
Like to give kisses.  
Kisses—well I remember them!  
Those in the corner were sweetest;  
Sweet were "those on the sly;" in the  
Dark were the sweetest.  
Annie was tender and gentle,  
To two was almost to win her;  
Her lips were as good as ripe peaches  
And milk for dinner.

Nell was a flirt, and coquettish,  
"Twice catch me, kiss me if you can, sir!"  
I caught both—ah! I wasn't!  
A happy man sir?  
Annie has gone on a mission,  
Off to the South Sea islands;  
Nell is a widow, keeps boarders, and  
Cooks her own dinners.  
Charlotte and Susan and Mattie,  
Mary Jane, Lucy, and Maggie;  
Four are married and plump, two  
Married and scraggy.

Carrie is dead! Bloom sweetly,  
Ye maids, and over her rest;  
Her I loved dearly and truly,  
Last and the best.

Thus I sit, smoking and thinking,  
A bachelor, bright and lonely—  
I kiss the end of my pipe-stem,  
That, and that only.

THE SEALED WILL.

"Do you suppose, mamma, in case the money goes from me, that it will be given to you?"

"Dear child, how can I even guess? Your aunt, remember, is your father's sister, not mine; so it is scarcely likely she has thought of me. I am afraid the heir in the sealed will is John Garland."

"Mamma!"

"It is only guess work, dear."

"But he is so used to have the responsibility of money, a man known to be a gambler and a drinking man, if not an actual drunkard."

"Very true. Yet he is the nearest relative your Aunt Jessie had, excepting only yourself."

"I can scarcely think Aunt Jessie would leave him fifty thousand dollars."

"My dear, she has left it to you, her niece and namesake."

"But upon condition that I never marry. If I do, the sealed will in the hands of her lawyer is to be opened, and the money pass from me to the heir, or heirs, designated therein. You must know me well enough to be sure the money would never tempt me to break my engagement; yet, for your sake, I wish—Oh, why did Aunt Jessie leave it to me at all?"

"Do not think of me. I can live as we have done since your father died. But, Jessie," said Mrs. Markham's face looked grave, and said, "there is one view of the matter you do not take."

"Of course, there are fifty. Remember we have only had an hour or two to think, since the letter came from the lawyer. But what is the view you mean?"

"Charlie."

Jessie's large brown eyes were opened to their widest extent as she repeated the name, adding:

"Why, I haven't thought of anything but Charlie!"

"But I mean—Dear me!" said the mother, shrinking from uttering her own thought, "My goodness, dear, you have been considering your aunt's heiress; and Charlie is young, and only commencing the practice of his profession. It may be that he will—"

"Be false to me for the sake of money?" interrupted Jessie, with the rosiest of cheeks and brightest of eyes. "We will soon test that," and she drew a writing table to her side. "I will send him a copy of the lawyer's letter, and—here her voice and eyes softened—"the assurance that Aunt Jessie's will makes no difference to me."

Mrs. Markham made no objection to this, but after the letter was signed, sealed, and dispatched to the village by Polly, the only servant of the Markham household, she called Jessie aside to her side.

Over the fair sweet face of the young girl there had crept a shade of gravity and perplexity since the arrival of the lawyer's letter that clouded the brown eyes and gave the sensitive mouth a firmer pressure than was quite natural. Life had not been all sunshine for Jessie Markham, yet her was one of the buoyant natures that find the silver lining for every cloud, and whose sweetest moments come from every bitter dose.

Her father had been dead six years, and his business affairs having become complicated in some way not comprehensible to feminine intellects, his widow and child had found themselves reduced to an income that barely covered the necessities of life. They left the city, and took a small cottage in the pretty village of Merton, where Mrs. Markham soon procured a class of music scholars, and herself gave Jessie lessons in the higher branches of Euclid, Greek, French, and music.

Yet, though Jessie herself had known of her aunt's supposed intentions, neither she nor her mother had ever made calculations upon a fortune dependent upon the death of one for whom they felt the warmest affection, and the idea that others could be influenced by it was a new thought to the young girl.

She had, given to her betrothed, Charlie Seaton, the first love of her young heart, believing his love was all her own. In the six years she had lived in Merton, child and maiden, Charlie Seaton had become her devoted admirer from the first. He was young, only twenty-three, and had recently finished his course of law study, and

been admitted to the bar. His fortune, inherited from his father, was very small, barely covering his expenditure for board and clothing; but he was energetic, industrious, and, without brilliant talent a clear-headed, intelligent student, promising to make a capable lawyer, if not a shining light at the bar.

Answering her mother's call, Jessie nestled down in her favorite seat at her feet, saying sadly:

"If Charlie was influenced by any hope of Aunt Jessie's money, mamma, it is better to know it now. I had supposed we would have to wait for our wedding day until he had some practice, and you know I have a little sum of my own toward first expenses. We could live here, and—There, I will not think of it any more till the answer comes to my letter."

"While you wait, dear," said her mother, "shall I tell you what I think is the explanation of your aunt's singular will? You, who knew her only as the gentle, sad woman of her later years, can scarcely realize, I presume, that she was once as bright, hopeful and sunny tempered as yourself. I think it is to save you from the power of giving wealth to a mere fortune-hunter. She would have you wooed and won for yourself alone, and as she never positively said she was heiress, she has probably ably never supposed Charlie blessed by that hope. Still, dear, it is possible."

"Yes, it is possible," said Jessie, slowly; "but tell me about Aunt Jessie."

"Your grandfather Markham, Jessie, was one of the leading merchants of New York when your aunt, his only daughter, was introduced to society. Your Uncle Hoyt was in good practice as a physician, your father doing then a fair business, and already married, and in his own home."

It was therefore with the name of an heiress that Jessie danced through her first years, a careless, light-hearted girl, very pretty, and successfully accomplished to make a pleasing impression wherever she went. She was but little over twenty when she became engaged to Stanley Horton, the most fascinating man in all our circle of friends. Not only handsome and talented, and he was both, but possessing in a remarkable degree the courtly polish and winning grace of manners that go so far toward gaining a woman's heart. She absorbed love, and for him seemed mutual, and congratulations were the order of the day, and when your grandfather failed, from a man of wealth he became actually poor, and losing energy and hope, he came with Jessie to share our home. Stanley Horton, the man we all supposed a devoted lover, was fully aware of the change in Jessie's prospects, yet he continued his visits, making no abrupt, ungenerous desertion of his betrothed. Yet we who watched her with the jealousy of affection, soon discovered a change in her. She became pale and sad, often tearful, till finally she was confided to me, that Stanley was evidently weary of her, and had ceased to love her. Even then she attributed the change to some defect in herself, not seeing the mercenary motive till later, when time had taken the glamour of love from her eyes, and heart. She gave him back his ring and promises; thus accepting the position his unmanly conduct forced upon her, of herself breaking the engagement between them. The first love of her life was over. She was your grandfather's comfort when he died, and then went to keep house for her mother, who lost her wife and baby one year after his wedding-day. When he died, he left her the house and his money, and she lived there till she died. Still I know she loved you and I am quite sure her will is not designed so much to keep you single, as it is to give you an opportunity to win the disinterested love of your future husband."

There was a long silence after Mrs. Markham concluded her story, as Jessie allowed her head to rest on her mother's lap, to picture a future of easy competency shared by this companion of her life. It had its bright side; there was still love and happiness for her yet. And then a bright face crowned with curly brown hair would come before her, and she knew that neither the handsome house or comfortable income could ever fill her heart if Charlie left a void there.

Suddenly, like a gust of wind, there swept into the little sitting-room a tall, broad-shouldered, young man, a gray-tinted head, and a face which latterly had been in an attitude of grim defiance, that sent shivers of glad music into her heart.

"Will you have the kindness, Miss Markham," said the intruder, towering in his six feet of manhood over Jessie's low seat, "to tell me what you mean by the absurd letter Polly handed me? Was it not fully understood that you and I were to share this cottage with your mamma until I attained sufficient legal eminence to warrant the purchase of a brown stone front in New York? Was I not deluded into the belief that, in my presence, the culinary reduction of our establishment was to reduce our expenses to the limits of our present income? Was it not represented to me that my present board bill was sufficient to meet the requirements of two in this domicile? In short, Miss Markham, in what way was I ever led to suppose that the fortune of your spinster aunt was to influence in the slightest degree your matrimonial intentions with regard to myself? I pause for a reply."

Jessie stood up, her hands meekly folded together, and her happy eyes downcast till the long lashes kissed her cheek.

"Please forgive me this time, and I'll never say it again," she said; and then she laughed dimpled her cheeks, danced in her eyes, and ripped out clear and sweet upon the air.

"Oh, Charlie! Charlie! I knew you never thought of Aunt Jessie's money."

"And you," said Charlie, holding her off at arm's length, "you can have it all, if you give me up."

"As if I loved money better than you," said Jessie, nestling in the strong arms now wrapped closely around her.

It seemed, however, as if Charlie was actually afraid of the money that was so temptingly near Jessie's grasp, for he commenced a series of interludes that bore entirely upon the subject of an immediate marriage.

"What was there to wait for?" he would ask, and then enter upon calculations of his present expenses and those of the

future, proving mostly conclusively that there was a decided saving for both in uniting their incomes.

"You reminded me," said Jessie, "of the Dutchman who, said he could almost support himself alone, and it was a pity if two of them could not do it entirely."

But though she laughed at him, Jessie was quite willing to admit the force of his reasoning; and one bright June morning, six months after Aunt Jessie's death there was a wedding at the village church, and a breakfast in the cottage for a few chosen friends. Among these was Aunt Jessie's lawyer, for the will stipulated that the sealed codicil was to be opened at Jessie's wedding, if she preferred love to money.

The bride was a little paler than usual when with a solemn face, the New York lawyer broke the big red seal. Visions of John Garland holding drunken revels in her aunt's house flitted across her mind, and then she looked into Charlie's face, and over her own crept an expression of perfect content.

The will was opened and found to contain only a letter directed to Jessie, and a short, legally worded formula, making herself and her chosen husband joint inheritors of her aunt's fortune. Tearfully the bride opened the letter from the dead.

With loving words Aunt Jessie blessed her, and wished her happiness.

"I do not," she wrote, "approve of the money power in a family being entirely in the hands of a woman; therefore you will find, dear Jessie, that half of my fortune only is yours, the remaining half to go to your husband who has proved he loved you for your own sweet self, not for your fortune."

During the wedding tour, of the young couple Mrs. Markham, at their earnest solicitation, took an affectionate farewell of her pupils, and removed her household treasures to the New York mansion; to which, in due time, came Charlie and Jessie to brighten the long silent rooms, with their happiness, and establish that loving circle that makes home of any house, however grand, or however poor.

The French are talking about adopting not only compulsory education, but compulsory voting. It is suggested that every elector who shall, without sufficient cause, abstain from exercising his right to vote, shall be taxed by a fine equal to one-fourth of his taxes. The elector who fails to appear at the polls three times in succession shall be struck off the electoral list for three years. A similar rule in the United States might make clear to sundry citizens that voting is not only a privilege but a duty.

A Dorchester woman has been three times married. Her first husband was Robb, the second Robbins, and the third Robinson. The same dog-plate has served for the whole three, and the question is, what extended name can be procured to fill out the remaining space on it.

A Kansas man was arrested for carrying concealed weapons recently. On his person were found two navy revolvers, three pocket pistols, a pair of brass knuckles, and a sword cane. They released him when he explained that he was only "toting himself up for a visit to Philadelphia."

Nothing makes a Minnesota man so mad as to fill his boots with buckwheat cakes in the raw, and then laugh at him when he pulls them on. Mrs. Smith of Winona will endorse this statement as soon as the swelling of her nose subsides sufficiently to enable her to read.

George Selwyn once affirmed, in company, that no woman ever wrote a letter without a postscript. "My next letter shall refute you," said Lady G. Selwyn soon after received a letter from her ladyship, when, after her signature stood: P. S.—"Who is right now, you or I?"

In Africa, the highest children suck rock salt as if it were sugar, although the poorest masses of natives cannot so indulge themselves. Hence the expression in vogue among them, "He eats salt with his victuals," signifying that the person alluded to is an opulent man.

A Detroit policeman lately consumed an entire day in shooting a dog which he had been commissioned to kill. He destroyed thirteen dozen cartridges, but wouldn't hurt the animal, then if it hadn't walked up to smell the muzzle of the pistol.

A Cincinnati woman recently bailed her husband out of the station-house to which he had been consigned for drunkenness, with the proceeds of her hair, which was unusually long and beautiful. Could feminine devotion go further?

An old lady in Worcester county recently refused the gift of a load of wood from a tree which had been struck by lightning, through fear that some of the "hail" might remain in the wood and cause disaster to her kitchen stove.

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Prof. Donaldson of Reading, Pa., a balloonist, proposes to make an aerial voyage across the Atlantic next summer. Previous to this grand venture he will make a trip from St. Louis to Boston.

When a new town is started on the plains, Chicago drummers camp out and wait for the new stores to be completed, to sell the owners a bill of goods.

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Dey was me and mein froder;  
Vot was me very much alike,  
So you knew vich from loder.  
Von ov der pors was "Yawewp,"  
Und "Hans" der older's name;  
But den it made no different,  
Ye both got called der same.  
Vell, you ov us got teard—  
Taw, Yawewp, dat's all so!  
But wheeder Hans or Yawewp  
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If we would but see the way!

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Every hour and every day  
If we would but bear the pleadings  
Of the hearts that go astray.

Let us step outside the stronghold  
Of our selfishness and pride;  
Let us lift our fainting brothers,  
Let us strengthen our weak child;

Let us, ere we blame the fallen,  
Hold a light to cheer and guide.  
Ah, how blessed—ah, how blessed  
Earth would be if we'd but try!

Thus to aid and right the weaker,  
Thus to check each brother's sigh,  
Thus to talk of duty's pathway  
To our better life on high.

In each life, however lowly,  
There are seeds of noblest good;  
Still we speak from souls appealing  
With a thrill "if we could."

But a God who judges all things  
Knows the truth, "if we would."

## MY ELOPEMENT.

"Jim, you may take her into the house to-night."

The "ther" referred to was the Ariel, one of the staunchest, fastest passenger engines that ever "jerked" a train, and Jim was my "stoker."

"All right, Jack," he answered, as I stepped down from the cab and started toward the tower.

It was just dark of a cold, stormy November day, and if ever there was a happy man it was myself, Jack Everett, seated ten minutes later, in the warm dining room, with plenty of time and a steaming supper at my command.

But this happiness was too great to be lasting. I was but half through my onslaught on mine host's cuisine, when my stoker, the best fellow in the world, only a little wild at times, came rushing into the room.

"I'll be blown if I hadn't half a mind to let you finish the job," said he. "I'd give half a dollar if I could eat like that."

And he stepped back and gazed with admiration at my display of talent for eating when hungry.

"Come, come, what's up?" I asked, holding up the half of a biscuit, and preparing to follow up the success with the other half.

"Good heavens, Jack! how often do you eat?" he asked, but without giving me time to reply, he added, "But I've got to stop you now, for old Mayford is down to the station swearing like a marlin, because you got the start of him, and got away before he saw you."

Mayford was the superintendent, and I knew something was wrong somewhere, I replied:

"Tell him I will be down after supper."

"That won't do, Jack. You've got to catch the express, and she's been gone twenty minutes now. We've got the engine out of the house, and all fired up. She'll be blowing up by the time we get back."

I will not say that I uttered any very angry words, but something stuck very hard in my throat—half a biscuit I suppose. I seized an apple from the table and tossed it to Jim who I knew had not been to supper, and then I went for my hat and started.

I found Mayford, pacing to and fro in the storm of snow and sleet, and growing like a hungry dog.

"Can you catch the express before she reaches town?" he asked hurriedly.

"I can try. But why not telegraph?" I asked.

"That's the mischief of it," he snarled. "The wires are down."

"Well, speak lively, for there is no time to fool away," said I, not remarkably good humored at the prospect. Moreover I had no very particular liking for John Mayford.

He slipped a letter from his pocket and gave it to me.

"Catch the train, Jack and give the letter to Conductor Adams. Whatever he gives you bring back to me without delay."

Now there was something quite mysterious about this, but so far, I had no right to question, so I turned to Jim and asked if he had taken any water.

"Nary a drop, Jack."

"Never mind the water," cried Mayford. "You have enough to run down."

"Mr. Mayford, I am running this engine," I replied. "I can't stop to get water. If you can just take my place."

I returned away with something like an oath, and I backed up to the tank house. Just as I stopped, a yelled, loud, sprang up lightly into the cab.

"You must let me go with you," she whispered, and then stepped further back into the shadow, so that my freeman might not see her.

When he came forward to the cab Nellie was demurely perched upon my seat. I gave him the hint to keep mum, and, pulling open the throttle, away we started on our wild night ride.

How the old Ariel flew over the iron parallels! Accustomed as I was to the noble engine, I yet sometimes quaked with sudden terror, and shut off the steam. I was thinking of Nellie then, and life never seemed so sweet before.

Then, as the speed slackened, I would give my noble steed the rein again, and, true to the touch, she would leap ahead like a thing of life—past houses, villages and towns, seen ahead for a second, and then far behind us.

All the while I stood by Nellie, with one hand on the throttle and the other on the reversing lever, peering ahead on the track illuminated by the Ariel's headlight.

I dared not look at Nellie, for our lives depended on my vigilance. I knew not what moment I might overtake the train; so I stood with her so near me, yet so far from me.

Sometimes I spoke to her, and she would turn her lips to my ear to reply. Again her little hand would clasp my arm as I sped over some rough piece of road that threatened to shake the iron monster to pieces, but a word would reassure her.

At length in turning a curve, I saw the red light on the rear of the express, and so suddenly, that had I not been on guard there would have been one less passenger coach on the road; and who can tell where Jack Everett would have been? But I was prepared and there was no danger.

My whistle was recognized, for there was not another like it on the road; and no doubt wondering what had sent the Ariel after them, they stopped for me.

"Well, I'm beat," exclaimed Charlie Adams, the conductor. "What's in the wind now, Jack?"

For reply I gave him the letter.

"What's that? Here, Jack, see what you make of it."

"CONDUCTOR ADAMS—My daughter, Nellie Mayford, is running away from her home. I have reason to believe she is on your train. Send her back to me on the Ariel, in charge of Everett. Use force if necessary."

I think I gave a longer and more emphatic whistle than Charlie.

"There's some mischief at the bottom of this," said I; "and if she were on my train, I would use force to send her back to the old home—nary a bit. I would take her the other way and keep mum."

"Then, Charlie, I'll put her aboard your train and send her along. She is in my cab now."

Charlie gave vent to an expression more forcible than elegant, and after I told him how I came to have Nellie there, he wrote on the back of John Mayford's letter:

Midway between C— and A—  
Nov. 12, 12.30 p. m.

JOHN MAYFORD, Esq.—The Ariel has overtaken me and I have your communication. Miss Nellie Mayford is not on my train nor has she been on this trip.

Yours truly,  
CHAS. ADAMS.

"There, Jack, that does not tell him that she will be on. Now let us hustle or I shall not make time."

The transfer was quickly made, but not without some regret on my part and I started back to my depot.

John Mayford was waiting for me.

"Where is she?" he asked, jumping into the cab.

I feigned ignorance and passed him the letter.

Some prodigious oaths escaped from his lips, but as they were not directed to me, I had nothing to say. Then he hurriedly

"This was not the last of it, however. I was put through a course of questioning the next day that would have done credit to a criminal lawyer, and if I do not mistake, John Mayford went home none the wiser.

I met Charlie Adams, too.

"Jack," said he, "you have won her everlasting gratitude not to use a stronger term. It was a close rub, though."

Mayford's letter was only her uncle after all. It was determined to marry her to old Silver, and as she had not lived quite long enough to be her own mistress—she was one day short—she couldn't do better than to run away. The danger is all over now, and she has chosen for herself. Better go up as soon as you can. Here is her address.

And Jack, my boy, there are two things that you mustn't forget—that she has got a cool hundred thousand, and your humble servant when the wedding comes off."

It is needless to say that I went on, even at the risk of losing the Ariel, and that the Ariel was turning the adjacent country upside down in search of Nellie. Every quiet married man in the vicinity of the depot was looking for her.

Perhaps John Mayford was mad when he heard of it; but he passed over Nellie's property without a murmur. But I did not run the Ariel any more, and Nellie now has the love I once had for my noble engine, and that other love beside. It is not more than she deserves.

"Wily," Miss Mayford, you cannot mean it! I exclaimed—yet at the same time I really hoped that she did, for to tell the truth, Jack Everett is in love with her. I of course nobody knew it but myself, and I had hitherto been content with a smile or a word, and which she often gave me, notwithstanding her father's frowns. To have her so near to me, and talking with me, lifted me up to the top shelf of hopefulness.

## A Few More Years.

A few more years shall roll,  
A few more seasons come,  
And we shall be with those that rest  
Asleep within the tomb.

A few more suns shall set  
O'er these dark hills of time,  
And we shall be where suns are not—  
A far severer clime.

A few more storms shall beat  
On this wild rocky shore,  
And we shall be where tempests cease,  
And surges swell no more.

A few more struggles here,  
A few more partings o'er,  
A few more toils, a few more tears,  
And we shall weep no more.

A few more Sabbaths here,  
Shall cheer us on our way,  
And we shall reach the endless rest,  
The eternal Sabbath day.

Then, O my Lord, prepare  
My soul for that great day;  
Oh, wash me in Thy precious blood,  
And take my sins away.

## STORY OF POOR LITTLE STEPHEN GIRARD.

The man lived in Philadelphia who, when young and poor, entered a bank, and says he, "Please, sir, don't you want a boy?"

And the stately personage said, "No, little boy, I don't want a little boy." The little boy, whose heart was too full for utterance, chewing a piece of licorice stick he had bought with a cent stolen from his good and pious aunt, with sobs plainly audible, and with great globules of water rolling down his cheeks, glided silently down the marble steps of the bank. Bending his noble form the bank man dodged behind a door, for he thought the little boy was going to shy a stone at him. But the boy picked up something and stuck it in his

poor but ragged jacket. "Come here, little boy," and the little boy did come here, and the bank man said, "I'll give you a penny if you'll go to Sunday school?" and he said he did. Then the bank man took down a pen made of pure gold, and flowing with pure ink, and he wrote on a piece of paper, "St. Peter," and he asked the little boy what it stood for, and he said, "St. Peter." Then the bank man said it meant "St. Peter." The little boy said "Oh!"

Then the bank man took the little boy to his bosom, and the little boy said "Oh!" again, for he squeezed him. Then the bank man took the little boy into partnership, and gave him half the profits and all the capital, and he married the bank man's daughter, and now all he has is, all his, and all his own, too.

STORY OF ANOTHER GOOD LITTLE BOY.

My uncle told me this story, and I spent six weeks in picking up pins in front of a bank. I expected the bank man would call me in and say, "Little boy, are you good?" and I was going to say "Yes," and when he asked me what I had been doing, I was going to say "Salt John." But I guess the bank man wasn't anxious to have a partner, and I guess the daughter was a son, for one day she said to me, "Little boy, what's that you're picking up?" Says I, "awful meekly, 'Pins.'" Says he, "Let's see 'em." And he took 'em, and I took off my cap, all ready to go in the bank, and become a partner, and marry his daughter. But I didn't get an invitation. He said "Those pins belong to the bank, and if I catch you hanging around here any more I'll set the dog on you." Then I left, and the mean old crab took the pins. Such is life as I find it.—Mark Twain.

TOO MUCH CREDIT.

Mr. Keene, a shrewd and thrifty farmer of Allenboro, owned a large flock of sheep, and one autumn, when it came housing time he was greatly annoyed upon missing a number of his finest muttons, amongst them two or three wethers which he had raised and fattened for his own table. He was sure that it was not the work of dogs, and all he could do was wait further developments.

On the following spring, when his sheep were turned out to pasture, he instituted a careful watch, and he detected Tom Stickney, a neighboring farmer in the act of pilfering a sheep, but he made no fuss about it at the time. Stickney was a man well to do, and Mr. Keene did not care to expose him.

Autumn time came, and upon counting his flock Mr. Keene found eight of his sheep missing. He made out his bill in due form to Thomas Stickney for the eight sheep, and presented it. Stickney choked and stammered, but did not back down. Like a prudent man he paid the bill and pocketed the receipts.

Another spring time came, and Mr. Keene's sheep were again turned out. Another autumn came, and the farmer again took an account of his sheep, and this time fifteen sheep were missing. As before, he made out his bill to Tom Stickney for the whole number missing, but this time Tom objected.

"It's too much of a good thing," said he, "I haven't had the fifth part of 'em."

Mr. Keene was inexorable.

"There's the bill," said he, "and I have made no fuss when my sheep have been missing because I deemed your credit good and sufficient."

"Well," groaned Tom, with a big gulp, "I suppose I must pay; but," he added, "phatically," "we'll close that account from this time. You have given me too much credit, altogether—some other rascal has been stealing on the strength of it."

It makes one smile right out, in these days of huge public debt, to hear the returns from Sika. She owes a debt of one hundred and fifty dollars, and has seventy-five cents in the treasury. It makes one think of the time in our own country, when Daniel Webster playfully put his hand in his pocket and offered to pay up the United States debt himself.

A young lady on board a packet ship, hearing the captain, during a storm, order the mate to hand down the sheets, immediately sprang from her bunk and jumped overboard.

The man who can't afford to take a newspaper, paid three dollars for another dog, Saturday, Danbury







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GOING WEST.—For Albany, 8:25 (way), 11:07 a.m. (express), 11:42 a.m. (N.Y. way), 5:48 p.m. (express), 11:53 p.m. (express). For New York, 10:35 a.m. (way), 6:25 p.m. (way), Sunday 11:32 p.m. (N.Y. express).

GOING NORTH.—For Belchertown, Amherst and Greatton, 8:25 a.m., 12:10 and 5:00 p.m. For Belchertown, 8:25 a.m., 12:10 and 5:00 p.m. For Greatton, 8:25 a.m., 12:10 and 5:00 p.m. For Belchertown, 8:25 a.m., 12:10 and 5:00 p.m. For Greatton, 8:25 a.m., 12:10 and 5:00 p.m.

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BORN.—At South Wilbraham, 28th ult., a daughter to CLARK GOODWIN.

MARRIED.—At Wales, 3d, by Rev. J. F. Bassett, WILLIAM M. NEWMAN and Mrs. ELLEN A. NELSON.

DIED.—At Three Rivers, 27th ult., POLLY BEARD, 59; 28th ult., JAMES ROSSBORTH, 26.

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Whereas, said Rolly Beard, deceased, was seized of and possessed of certain real estate, to-wit: of the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for Probate, by Dwight M. Stebbins, who claims to be the executor thereof, and who has been appointed executor, in and for said county.

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# The Journal.

SATURDAY, FEB. 15, 1873.

THERE has been trouble in Spanish affairs for a long time, and now King Amadeus has abdicated the throne. At 9 o'clock Tuesday evening the Cortes adopted a Republican form of government by a vote of 259 in the affirmative to 32 in the negative. Amadeus fears the fate which overtook Maximilian, and is going home to Victor Emmanuel and Sardinia.

OUR neighbor, the Springfield Republican is pained because the U. S. House of representatives has passed a new postage bill without requiring prepayment on country newspapers sent through the mail. If the Republican is so anxious about this matter, we can see no objection to its making the experiment by prepaying postage on all its papers sent through the post office. The law will permit it.

THE city physician question at Springfield is not settled yet. The oppositoid to Miss Williams comes from the male doctors, while the people are decidedly in favor of retaining her. She is very likely to get a large practice in the city in any event, and it will be a great pity if the city poor lose her services. To them she has been nurse and physician, saving lives by careful attention and acute judgment in administering remedies. Because she is a woman must she be sacrificed?

THE trial of Leavitt Alley of Boston, for the alleged murder of Abijah Ellis last fall, has excited a great interest during the week. It will be remembered that the body of Ellis was found floating in barrels in Charles River, the head in one barrel and the trunk in another. There was a chain of circumstantial evidence which pointed to Alley as the murderer, but so much doubt was cast upon these circumstances by the testimony for the defence, that the jury adjudged him not guilty.

CONGRESS was occupied Wednesday in counting the electoral votes. All the votes were counted excepting three from Georgia, cast for Horace Greeley, and all those of Arkansas and Louisiana. The two houses disagreed on the Georgia and Arkansas votes, the Senate voting to accept the Greeley votes from Georgia, and the House to reject them, and the House voting to accept the Arkansas votes (objected to on account of an informality), and the Senate to throw them out.

QUITE a nice family arrangement is hanging by the gills at Washington. Boutwell will resign on the 3d of March and Mr. Richardson, his man Friday, will be temporary treasurer till the election of U. S. Senator to fill Mr. Boutwell's place. If Boutwell should be elected then Mr. Richardson is to be appointed treasurer to carry out his financial policy, but if somebody else should be the successful candidate, then Mr. Richardson is to step back to his place as assistant treasurer, and Mr. Boutwell will be appointed treasurer. How nice.

THE Credit Mobilier examination at Washington has about reached an end, and we shall know by and by what Congress proposes to do about it. The attempt to connect Vice President Colfax with it in a dishonest manner will fail entirely, though Oakes Ames endeavors to make it appear that he received \$1200 in dividends. Mr. Colfax denies this, and his explanation of the matter is clear to any reasonable man. He denies in toto ever having owned any of the stock or receiving dividends from it. The public must be tired of the Credit Mobilier if Congress isn't.

THAT half demented, half crazy old man, Evans, who has been convicted of murdering his wife, and is now awaiting the gallows at Concord, N. H., has made statements which have led some to believe that he murdered the Joyce children at Roxbury several years ago, and also murdered a little girl in Maine and one or two in other places. He seems willing to make statements that would connect him with almost any murder, and which must force the conviction that he is insane. Visitors say he is broken down in health and spirits, and may cheat the hangman by a natural death.

HENRY WILSON has finally sent his resignation as U. S. Senator to the Governor, to take effect on the 3d of March, and the legislature has ordered the vacancy to be filled on the 11th, so that there is nearly a month to electioneer at the State House, and we suspect that there will be quite as much electioneering as law-making. Mr. Boutwell's friends can pull more wires than those who favor Mr. Dawes, and this wire-pulling sometimes goes against a man prodigiously, as in the case of Pomeroy of Kansas. It is quite natural that Western Massachusetts should claim the next Senator, not having had one scarcely in the recollection of the present generation. The candidate presented is unobjectionable, yet the friends of Mr. Boutwell urge him on the ground that he will help the Senate carry out his financial policy. As that policy is called seriously in question by many of our financial men, and as it is not paying off the debt now, we doubt whether he will be needed for that. As the legislature now stands it is difficult to say which candidate is ahead, but we venture to predict that members will be so manipulated that Mr. Boutwell will receive the election. While we should be better satisfied with Mr. Dawes, we cannot complain if it falls on Boutwell.

**Expert Testimony.**  
Calling "experts" to testify against criminals is a very dangerous business, and must soon become the most unreliable testimony that can be offered. Many a man has been convicted and hung on the testimony of chemists and medical experts, and we greatly fear a large number of the victims were entirely innocent. Mrs. Wharton was saved from conviction on the charge of poisoning Gen. Ketchum by medical experts, when the testimony of others was decidedly against her. The doctors so disagreed as to effects of poison and disease that the jury were justified in doubting both, and giving Mrs. Wharton the benefit of the doubt. The same line of testimony saved her from conviction on the charge of poisoning Van Ness. The more recent trial of Leavitt Alley of Boston for the murder of Abijah Ellis must throw still greater discredit on scientific testimony. It was alleged that Alley killed Ellis in a barn, that he got his clothes and the boards and posts of the stable spattered with blood. State Assayer Hayes analyzed the blood spots on Alley's garments, and in the stable and pronounced them human blood, stating clearly the difference between human and animal blood. This statement with other testimony made the case look decidedly dark for Mr. Alley; but then came Assayer Jackson and other chemical experts who stated that when blood had once dried, as that had which Mr. Hayes had experimented upon, the difference could not be told between human and animal blood; and then to overthrow entirely Prof. Hayes' testimony a veterinary surgeon was brought forward who testified that he bled a horse for Mr. Alley, and that the blood stains on his clothing, and in the stable came from the horse. Others who were present confirmed the surgeon's testimony, clearly showing that the scientific knowledge of Prof. Hayes was entirely unreliable.

THE legislature is beset with petitions for and against consolidating railroads. The protests against uniting the Hoosac Tunnel road with others are quite numerous.

**A MOTHER SHOT.**—A woman living in Leuox, near the Pittsfield line, was accidentally shot, Saturday morning by her little five year old son. They were together in a chamber, where the mother was at work, when the child found a loaded revolver in a drawer, took it out, and while playing with it snapped it off, the ball entering Mrs. Shepardson's head just behind the ear. In spite of the declaration of five Pittsfield doctors to the contrary, she seems to be slowly recovering.

**DIDN'T CONNECT.**—Two gentlemen, with their wives en route to Sunderland, not long since, took the New London Northern train, and left the cars at Leverett. There being no regular communication from that place to Sunderland the party tried to get a conveyance, as it was moonlight and good sleighing; but the best offer was that of an extremely kind-hearted farmer, who was willing to carry the two ladies the three miles for \$5. The whole party walked.

**BROKEN UP.**—The murder of Sandy Thompson has been the means of breaking up the famous Ashley Pond house in Holyoke. The establishment is now entirely deserted. One of the Holyoke ministers recently stated in the pulpit that so notorious had this sink of iniquity become, that it was almost impossible to find a horse in town, that could be driven by this place, so accustomed had they been to stopping.

**TERRIBLE DEATH.**—As some workmen were engaged on Thursday, the 6th, in Tilden's quarries at New Lebanon, a tree which had long overhung the edge of the cliff was seen to give way, and the alarm being given, all escaped except one man, who was paralyzed by fear until the tree struck him, literally driving him into the earth, and killing him instantly.

**SINGULAR FATALITY.**—A few days ago, as Frank McKenzie, an old Canadian, was on his way to visit his son, who had lost an arm while coupling cars, he was instantly killed by being run over by a train of cars. His wife was killed by the cars a few days previous, while endeavoring to send some clothing to the injured son. Another son was killed in a similar manner about ten years since.

**COOL.**—A fellow who was put off a train on the Old Colony Railroad on Saturday for attempting to ride on a punched ticket, had the coolness to stop the steamboat train by standing on the track and swinging his carpet bag. He said he thought the train would stop for him, and was allowed to ride on paying his fare.

**HELD FOR TRIAL.**—Two boys in North Brookfield, Edwin Smith and Charles Tuttle, are under arrest for attempting to break into the Town Hall building, intending to steal and then burn the building. They confessed, and Justice Duell held them in \$1000 each to the Superior Court.

**The National House of Representatives** on Tuesday passed the Postal Laws Revision bill, which fixes letter postage on and after the first of July next at two cents. Weekly newspapers, as now, will pass free in the counties in which they are printed.

**A SMART FAMILY.**—There is a lady residing in Prospect street, Newburyport, over eighty years old, who has borne ten children—five sons and five daughters—all of whom are living to-day; the eldest 63, and the youngest 40 years old.

## PALMER AND VICINITY.

**LOCAL NOTICE.**  
Even the people of Palmer appreciate a first-class jewelry store in the town. See advertisement of Clark, the Jeweler.

**Delicious.** Those fine California pears at L. A. Nelson's.

**The sleighing hereabouts** is quite thin, but runners still go it.

**C. M. Pierce** is acting as mail agent on the Athol and Enfield Railroad.

**John Bradley**, had the forefinger of one hand cut off at the saw mill near Blanchardville on Monday.

**John J. Jones**, a native of Wales, was killed on Wednesday week, by falling from a roof which he was slating.

**The night freight** from New London arriving here at about 11 o'clock p. m., and returning at 4 a. m. has been discontinued.

**Rev. Mr. Ball** of Greenfield, occupied the pulpit of the Second Congregational church last Sabbath in the absence of the pastor.

**Mr. Edward Howe** has shown us a bunch of grapes which were picked this week in the open air, and seemed as sweet and juicy as ever.

**Freight business** is so driving that some persons come and get their goods from the freight house at midnight. It is generally their "rolling stock."

**Mr. Brown** has removed the old market building from Railroad Square to the rear of his new store, where it will be converted into a workshop.

**S. E. Merrill** is the switchman and telegraph operator at Barrett's Station, and we are assured that he is "just the boy" who is going to keep things straight there.

**One car** of the accommodation train from Boston, Monday night, was thrown from the track about two miles east of this station by a broken rail, delaying the train, but injuring no one.

**The name** of the Athol and Enfield R. R. has been changed to the Springfield, Athol and Northern Railroad Company, and authority granted for it, to increase its capital stock to \$1,000,000.

**A Masonic** sociable at the new Masonic Hall, and a terpsichorean display and supper at the Nassawanco Friday evening, afforded pleasure and amusement for our brotherhood of the square and compass.

**Eight broken rails** were encountered by the morning train from Montreal to Palmer, Wednesday morning, and yet no damage done. A train was sent off the track at Stafford, Wednesday, by a broken rail.

**Companies B. and G.** of the 46th regiment Massachusetts volunteers, Capt. Kingsbury of Holyoke and Lieut. of Brimfield, have arranged for another reunion in this town, and a good time is expected.

**The man** who tends the pump house of the Boston & Albany R. R. at the depot east of the depot last afternoon with the furnace door open, and before his return the building was set on fire and destroyed.

**Women** in this vicinity must be in favor of female suffrage, judging from the large number of the B. & A. R. R. stockholders, to attend the annual meeting of that company.

**While** there is talk of bringing the Ware River railroad in where the freight house of the B. & A. railroad stands, it may be well to suggest that if the freight house were removed to the left hand side of the railroad east of the bridge it would accommodate the public quite as well, and convenience the switching business more.

**Chief Justice Chapman** of Boston, on his way to Springfield, Monday, stepped out of the train at this station, and did not start to get on again until the cars were in motion. In trying to catch them he fell on the platform and would have gone under the wheels, had he not been caught by Mr. Adams, the station agent, and saved from a serious accident.

**Our Palmer artist**, Wm. E. Miller, is giving good satisfaction to all who have patronized him, and especially in his genuine India ink pictures. These he warrants not to fade, as he uses no chemicals in their production. He will be happy to show specimens of his work in oil, ink or crayon, to all who may call at his studio in Commercial Block.

**B. B. Snow** has sold his residence in Belchertown to Nathaniel Dwight. Price paid, \$3000.—The 50th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Strong of Belchertown, was celebrated on Thursday evening, the 6th inst., receiving many valuable presents.

**The ladies** of the Cong's society, Thorndike, propose an entertainment, at their church vestry on Thursday eve, Feb. 20th, consisting of tableaux, charades, music, and a good supper. The singing will be under the lead of Mr. G. W. Sheldon. Are invited. In case of storm the entertainment will be postponed till next evening.

**Rising Sun Lodge** of Good Templars at Three Rivers, celebrated their seventh anniversary last week Friday evening at Pickering Hall, and had a social time with speaking and singing by home talent. The lodge is the oldest in this part of the State, with a splendid field to work in, and we are glad to see a new interest in the cause manifested by their increasing prosperity.

**"The Little Runaway"** and her Pets, is the title of the premium given the present year by the Christian Union. It is an oil chromo in the French style, and is better than last year's popular premium "Wide Awake and Fast Asleep." Our enterprising neighbor J. H. Jenks has one of the first prints on exhibition at the new drug store at the post office. He will be pleased to receive your subscriptions and deliver you the pictures.

**The Springfield Republican** informs its readers that "the Wason car company have just contracted to furnish the entire equipments for the Providence and Springfield railroad, which will be completed as far as Palmer about June 1. As ground is not broken for said railroad yet, and no charter has been granted the road through Connecticut, we think that railroad corporation will have to hurry up to get the road completed to Palmer so early in the season.

**The regular quarterly meeting** and dinner of the Hampden Congregational ministers was held at Springfield, Wednesday. The meeting was unusually interesting. The next session will be held at the Massasoit in Springfield on the 13th of May. Rev. Mr. Hamppond is to deliver the sermon.

**The question** for discussion will be: "What does the Congregational church need to increase its aggressive power," and Rev. Mr. Leete of Thorndike and Palmer of Chicopee are appointed as disputants.

**The Hampshire** manufacturing company at Huntington, in which several Palmer men are quite heavily interested, is under a cloud, an attachment having been put on the establishment. Mismanagement by the agent, who has disappeared, is alleged as the cause. The concern has paid two dividends of 6 and 5 per cent. In the last, and stock sold at a premium of 2 per cent. at the brokers' board last spring. The creditors offer to take 20 cents on a dollar, and the stockholders propose to settle and go ahead.

**Through the enterprise** of one of our citizens we are to be favored with a good lecture this winter. S. Monroe Hubbard, of Illinois, having been engaged to deliver one of his popular lectures at the Baptist church, next Wednesday evening. His subject will be "What's the matter," and he will endeavor to show up the workings of our social and political life. Mr. Hubbard has received high encomiums wherever he has lectured this winter, and especially at the west where he is well known. If the half that is said of his eloquence and talent be true, he will be worth hearing. Tickets will be sold at 25 cts., children 15 cts.

**DISTRICT COURT.**  
Last Tuesday John Dunn of Three Rivers explained to Judge Allen his interview with Dennis Larry, in which the latter charged an assault. John presented the court \$10 in settlement and retired. The next day William Roach, a wandering Nova Scotian was charged \$5.80 for putting too much liquor in his water, and as he proved to be insolvent he went to talk over the matter with the jailer at Springfield. At the same time Roger McGrath came over from West Brookfield with officer Randall and related his adventure at Thorndike, where he took Henry Keepe's horse, and drove off on a sleigh ride. The expense of ride and court was liquidated with \$24.30.

**Local Conference** of the Congregational churches in Monson, Palmer and Warren next Tuesday. Prayer meeting at nine a. m. for the influence of the spirit upon the congregations. Discussion at 10<sup>15</sup> of the question, What departments of church work are especially neglected at present? In the afternoon will be considered the topic—Have we any special responsibility for the religious condition of our outlying districts? Or, can we hope to reach those churches? Collocation at noon. Besides the above named all the churches in town have been specially invited to be present, and a religious rally of the town suggested.

## Itemical.

**The latest gift** enter prise in Kentucky is composed of apple fritters with jewelry in them.

**A North Carolina** judge opined that three licks with a switch is not cruel treatment of a wife.

**A Connecticut** debating society is going to decide whether this is the coldest season on record.

**Five bears** were captured in North Chittenden, Vt., during the year 1872.

**Ninety inches** of snow and the mumps have fallen upon Williamstown, Vt., this winter.

**The town** of San Vicente, in the Republic of San Salvador, has been destroyed by an earthquake. No lives were lost.

**Two women** were present and voted at a meeting of bank stockholders in South Kingstown, recently.

**There are indications** that Warren Emerson of Springfield, imprisoned for forgery some time ago, will soon be pardoned out.

**A family** of five individuals in Norwalk, Ct., spend \$5.50 per week for opium, and apply to the town authorities for coal and bread and butter.

**According to statistics** there were 106 divorces granted in Connecticut during 1872.

**The number** of worthless dogs in Danielsonville, Ct., is said to be over six hundred.

**New England's first narrow-gauge** railroad will be started in early spring between Worcester and Shrewsbury.

**PITTSFIELD.**—Dr. J. M. Brewster, superintendent of schools, is arranging with Prof. Walter Smith of Boston for a lecture on art education, for the special benefit of architects, machinists and other of the higher classes, and also for some hour's instruction to the school teachers, of whom the town has about 60.

**BOILER EXPLOSION.**—One of the boilers of the Warren Manufacturing Company's mill, in Warren, R. I., exploded Wednesday morning, shattering the boiler house, and seating four other boilers and scalding the watchman Geo. O. Ashworth, probably fatally.

**HAUNTED.**—Bennington, Vt., has a house that is supposed to be haunted by the ghost of a woman anxious to revenge herself on one of the tenants who ill-treated her during life.

**TOBACCO.**—According to the records of the Agricultural Bureau, the average yield per acre of tobacco in Connecticut for 1872 was 1650 pounds, and the average price per pound was 32.8 cents.

**Two passengers** on a train on the Central Pacific Railroad died almost simultaneously a few days ago. One was in the last stage of consumption and the other suffering from inflammatory rheumatism.

**A LITTLE BILL.**—A servant girl in Pittsburg, Penn., has sued her employer for 778 weeks' wages at \$3 per week. She says she began her work January 1, 1858, and has never received a cent in remuneration.

**At Alexander, Me.**, a few days since, a lad named Wallace hung himself in his father's barn. He was discovered in time to save his life.

## What's Going on in Ware.

**Rev. E. D. Winslow** will deliver his lecture at Music Hall, on Monday evening, the 17th.

**Dr. Burgess** conducted services at the Episcopal church on Sunday, and in the evening held an evening meeting at the No. 7 school house.

**The Unitarian Society** hold a sociable at the house of Wm. B. F. Angell, on Pleasant street, (Friday) eve at 7 o'clock. All friends were welcome.

**At the next session** of the superior court at Northampton, next Tuesday, there will be one or two cases from this vicinity, but nothing of importance.

**The Rev. Thos. Timmins** will lecture at the Unitarian church, next Sunday night, on the following subject: "Martha and Mary." All are cordially invited.

**The pupils** of the high school have a reunion on the evening after the examination, Feb. 28, and invite all their friends who have attended the school during Mr. Walker's administration.

**The schools** in nearly all the out districts have closed or will on Friday. The high school, on account of the resignation of Mr. Walker, will close one week earlier than usual, the last Friday of February.

**Mr. William B. Gould**, the proprietor of our West Warren stage route died suddenly on Monday evening of congestion of the lungs. He has been our popular stage driver for many years, and to a large extent of the public more faithful and gentlemanly would be difficult.

**Mr. Isaac Walker**, our excellent high school teacher resigns at the close of the term, to take charge of the academy at Pembroke, N. H., where he had previously taught five years. His teaching here has been satisfactory to friends and pupils, and it will be difficult to fill his place with one more faithful.

**Those boys** charged with breaking and entering a car and stealing boots &c., were arraigned before trial justice Richards on Monday. The Riley boy acknowledged the larceny, and exonerated the other boys. He was sent to the Reform School, and the others discharged. On Wednesday one Crowley was brought before the same justice and fined \$10, and costs, for illegal keeping of intoxicating liquor.

**The warm weather** of last week made rather bad work of the side walk in front of Storrs' block, and on Monday and Tuesday the whole side walk from Pepper's drug store to Farran's dry good store was one sheet of ice. If there is no other way to remedy this evil the street should be cut down two feet or more, and it is suggested that if the occupants of the stores in that vicinity would take a little more pains, the walk instead of being actually dangerous, as it now is, might be made passable. On Tuesday Mr. Joseph Harding just after coming out of Mr. Cutler's store slipped and fell on the ice, cutting a large hole in his head and fracturing one rib and otherwise injuring him. He was taken up insensible and carried into Peppers', and promptly attended by Dr. Richardson. At last accounts he was doing well. On Wednesday another man while attempting to walk on the side walk near the same place, also slipped and fell, but was not very severely injured. Something should be done before long or some one may be killed.

**Very little** has as yet been said in regard to what should be done at the March meeting. The usual town officers consist of three selectmen, three overseers of the poor, three assessors, one school committee, three constables and town clerk. The report of the selectmen will probably show that the town's indebtedness has not been decreased as much as was expected, but it will also show that the present board have managed the affairs quite as economically as any board we have had for years, and if the present members wish for another term, another man on the street should be put on with them and elected. There appears to be quite as much contest over the town clerkship as over any office. So far as we know the present incumbent has the best office for it in town, he has always performed his duty, his books are in excellent order, and we know of no good reason for a change. The assessors will probably be re-elected, if they have no objections, as the town appears to be quite well satisfied with their labors, and dislike to make many changes in that board. The old constables will probably be re-elected. The appropriations can be but little below those of last year, and taxes will probably be quite as high. The school committee will also recommend the building a new school house in No. 7 and 9.

**The bonds, mortgages, etc.,** stolen from the banking house of Clarkson & Co., at Lancaster, Pa., on the 15th of January, were found Sunday morning, under a stairway leading to the basement of St. Paul's Reformed church at Reading, Pa. They amount to over \$100,000.

**Three slave ships** have been seized at Melbourne for stealing the natives to sell them as slaves. A vessel recently arrived at Honolulu contained a cargo of coolies booked as "chattels" and destined for slavery in South America.

**The Secretary** of the Treasury has authorized the Assistant Treasurer at New York to purchase one million of bonds on each Wednesday and to sell \$1,500,000 of gold on each Thursday during the month of February.

**PROMPT REVENGE.**—John Henry Miller shot a druggist named Ferdinand, at Columbus, O., Sunday, whom his wife accused of attempting to outrage her. The ball took effect in the head, and the druggist will die.

**Gen. A. B. Dyer**, chief of the ordnance department, has decided on Springfield as the place for manufacturing the Hitecock gun, one of the four adopted last fall by the heavy ordnance board.

**There is a house** in Columbia, N. H., standing on cleared land so shaded by a hill that the sun does not shine upon it during a period of six weeks in each winter.

**THE PRESIDENT'S INAUGURATION.**—The total number of troops to take part in the inauguration procession reported up to this time is 6674. This includes the District troops.

## CURRENT NOTES.

An old bachelor of seventy years of age was married to a widow of sixty Sunday evening at Warren, N. H.

Another effort is being made to induce Governor Dix to commute the sentence of Foster, the car-hook murderer.

A couple who had been divorced thirteen years were lately remarried at Terre Haute.

The Old Farmers' Almanac for 1873 predicts "drifting winds" about these times.

Right again, Mr. Thomas.

New York thieves have taken to robbing the lamp-post letter boxes.

C. J. Treat of Providence was arrested at Springfield Saturday morning for forgery committed in Providence.

Ex-Governor Geary of Pennsylvania died very suddenly at his home in Harrisburg last Saturday morning.

Rhode Island is said to be overrun with mice. It is said there are thirty or forty there, and they are very much crowded.

James Graham, a shoe-dealer at Little Neck, Long Island, was murdered on Friday night. His body was fearfully mutilated. Robbery is supposed to have been the object.

The barn and tobacco sheds of Emory P. Walker, in Belchertown, were burnt on Saturday. Loss heavy.

Turkey proposes to get along with 100,000 soldiers.

Louisville, Ky., donishes a debt of \$6,431,500 in the eyes of its tax-payers.

Peter Fox of Brooklyn was arrested on Saturday on the charge of kicking to death his son John, aged fourteen, for refusing to go and get beer for him.

Senator Wilson has received a petition signed by over one thousand clerks in the departments and government employees, asking for the passage of a prohibitory liquor law in the district of Columbia.

The Yarmouth Register says about 300 tons of ice, between eleven and twelve inches thick have been taken from Long Pond, South Yarmouth, this winter. This is the thickest ever cut there.

The Rhode Island Baptists are just now rejoiced over the discovery of the house where Roger Williams used to hold meetings. It is in Providence, and is owned in these days by a Mr. Caffrey.

Exeter vouches for the woman whose dead husband warned her twice, in a dream, to remove her little all of \$850 from the savings bank, just before the Shute default.

A great gale at Aspinwall on the 20th ult. was very destructive in shipping; one barque and three schooners from Boston being among the wrecked.

The members of the rival legislative bodies in Louisiana, are making efforts to settle their differences in a friendly manner.

An Indianapolis man who paid \$100,000 for some land on Wednesday, and sold the same for \$186,000 on Thursday, thought he had done business enough for the week.

A Pittsfield man told his wife he wouldn't pay 55 cents a pound for butter, if company was coming. He'd rather pay the visitors the money, and done with it.

A new Democratic daily paper is to be started in Worcester, early in March. The material has been purchased for it.

Liver complaint and dyspepsia are the causes of two-thirds of the cases of consumption. Many are now complaining with dull pain in the side, the bowels sometimes constipated and sometimes loose, tongue coated, pain in the shoulder blade, sometimes very restless, and at other times drowsy, the food that is taken lies heavily on the stomach, accompanied with acidity and belching of wind. These symptoms usually originate from a disordered condition of the stomach or a torpid liver. Persons so affected if they take one or two heavy colds, and if the cough in these cases be suddenly stopped, the lungs, liver and bowels are clogged and remain torpid and inactive, and before the patient is aware of his situation, the lungs are a mass of sores, and ulcerated, and death is the inevitable result.

Schenck's Pulmonic Syrup is an expectorant which does not contain any opium, nor anything to check a cough suddenly.

Schenck's Serravallo Tonic dissolves the food, mixes with the gastric juice of the stomach, digests easily, nourishes the system, and creates a healthy circulation of the blood. When the bowels are costive, skin sallow, and the patient is of a bilious habit, Schenck's Mandrake Pills are required.

These medicines are prepared by Dr. J. H. SCHENCK & SON, northeast corner of Sixth and Arch streets, Philadelphia, Penn., and for sale by GEO. C. GOULD, 41 and 43 Hanover street, Boston, and John F. Henry & Co., College Place, New York, wholesale agents. Sold by druggists generally.

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**Passenger Trains Leave Palmer.**  
GOING EAST.—For Boston, 2:32 a. m. (express), 7:48 a. m. (way), 12:05 p. m. (way), 2:05 p. m. (express), 2:35 p. m. (express), 4:34 p. m. (way), 8:38 p. m. (express). Sundays—12:58 a. m. (express), 7:03 (express).  
GOING WEST.—For Albany, 8:25 (way), 11:07 a. m. (express), 11:42 a. m. (N. Y. express), 4:48 p. m. (express), 11:53 p. m. (way). For Springfield, 10:38 a. m. (way), 6:25 p. m. (way). Sunday, 11:32 p. m. (N. Y. express).  
GOING NORTH.—For Belchertown, Amherst and Grouse Corner, at 8:35 a. m., 12:30 and 6:20 p. m., connecting for Montreal. For Thorndike, Ware and Gillville, at 8:26 a. m., 12:30 and 6:20 p. m. For Andover, at 8:25 a. m., 12:30 and 6:20 p. m. For GOING SOUTH.—For New London, 4:15 a. m., 8:35 a. m., 2:35 and 6:10 p. m.



**BORN.**  
At Palmer, 1st, a son to JAMES B. SHAW.  
**MARRIED.**  
At Brimfield, 11th, OVID E. PARKER and EVA A. WARD.  
At Monson, 25th ult., by Rev. C. B. Sumner, FRANCIS E. LEMON and VIANNA E. FERRY.  
**DIED.**  
At Wilbraham, 10th, GEORGE H. STEEDINS.  
At Rossville, Shawnee county, Kansas, Sept. 27, JOEL DWIGHT SIMONDS, 39, formerly of Ware, and son of John Simonds.  
At Monson, 11th, EDWARD D. THAYER, 14, son of the late T. D. Thayer, and grandson of Warren Collins of Collins Depot.  
At Brimfield, 7th, MARY S., 70, widow of Stephen Novel of Southbridge.

**CLARK, THE JEWELER,**  
Has received another lot of fine goods, this time a fine assortment of  
**REAL BRONZE CLOCKS,**  
One and Eight Day, which will be sold remarkably cheap. Finding that the people will buy a good article at a fair price, I intend to keep a first-class establishment, that will compare favorably with those in larger places, and I have confidence that the people will sustain me in it.  
WILLIAM H. CLARK.  
**FOR FAMILY USE.**  
THE  
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THE BEST SAUCE AND RELISH  
Made in any Part of the World  
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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.**  
HAMPDEN SS.—To P. J. O'Connor of Palmer, in the county of Hampden, and to any and all other persons claiming any interest in about three gallons of whiskey in one keg, one gallon of gin, one quart of wine in one bottle, which, by virtue of a warrant issued by the District Court of Eastern Hampden, in said county, on the 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, have been seized at the dwelling house of said P. J. O'Connor, in said Palmer, on the 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, the value of which liquor and vessels should not be forfeited for being kept for sale by said P. J. O'Connor, in violation of the laws of said Commonwealth.  
Witness, JAMES G. ALLEN, Esquire, Justice of said Court, at Palmer, in said county, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.  
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## The Miller.

A miller sat by his silent mill,  
On a stone at the bridge near by;  
His face that once was smiling and round,  
Was worn, and wrinkled and dry.

He always had been a sober man,  
And virtuous his life adorned;  
But his neighbors said who knew him well,  
That he very often was corned.

Nature for him had wonderful charms,  
For she gave him wealth and power;  
And while he cared not for her fruits,  
He almost worshipped her power.

With no desire for "Jovial times,"  
He toiled for money and notes;  
Still he would dance to the lively tunes,  
And was often feeling his oats.

At length he died, for his work was done,  
And he passed from earth away;  
Yet he was still waiting for his toll,  
That was due to him that day.

He might have lived, the people say,  
To count his years at least four score;  
But for a "little grain" of a shock,  
He received while bolting his flour.

He had his toll and was buried low,  
Where the golden grain fields wave;  
He never knew that the "mills grind slow,"  
So they tolled him twice at the grave.

## LOVE IN A SNOW-STORM.

"I know I am pretty," said Clare Wintringham to herself, gazing comely in the mirror, "but I do not think I am sufficiently beautiful to send all the young men of my acquaintance into ecstasies over me."

It is not always very easy for a girl to judge of her own looks; but Clare tried to be as impartial as possible on this special occasion. And what was it that she saw reflected in the glass before which she stood, critically surveying the creature whom the world called Clare Wintringham?

A tall, supple figure, with sloping shoulders and a daintily tapered waist; a skin as soft as satin, and tinted like an oleander blossom; deep blue eyes, just shaded into violet at the iris; and a little fresh mouth, where the teeth shone at every smile like pearls through a crimson shell.

"Yes," said Clare, nodding her head so that certain spirals of golden brown hair which always hung over her forehead danced coquettishly up and down, "I am pretty. Then that five hundred pounds a year that Uncle Harvey will secure to me is altogether a disagreeable pill for some of my lovers to swallow. I don't think I was made for an heiress. I like to make and mend, to patch and contrive, and I've always had an idea that I would make a splendid poor man's wife. I mean, of course, a splendid wife for a poor man."

She took from her belt a withered red rose and a bunch of violets as she spoke, and arched her pretty eyebrows over them in a puzzled fashion.

Harvey Gellatle gave me the rose," she soliloquized. "He's very handsome, is Harvey, and I always did have a weakness for handsome people; and he's a rising young man in his profession, people say. I like talented people, too. I'll keep the rose just a little while."

And she laid it away in a certain satin-lined box where she was wont to treasure souvenirs of her girlish days. And Frank Hood's violets—poor Frank Hood! He's so silent and awkward, and yet there's a something about him that would let one despise him. He certainly is not handsome, though he has fine eyes, and a face like one of those old marble carvings one sees in the School of Design. Well, I won't throw away the violets, either, just yet."

Clare took the jeweled hair-pins out of her shining tresses, and laid aside the white tulle dress and wreaths of blue blossoms, and went composedly to bed.

For why should she lie awake and lose the fresh roses of her complexion, and dim the sparkle of those glorious violet eyes, thinking about the respective claims of the various lovers who hovered, moth-like, about the torchlight of her charms? There was time enough to make up her mind—quite time enough. Why, she was not yet nineteen, and life was so full of bloom and freshness for her, Clare knew that the autumn must come sooner or later, but she meant to have a good time first. Sensible Clare!

So, in the very middle of the season, when balls, operas, masquerades, and *de jennes saintes* were at their height, and when Aunt Dalmayne wrote a piteous letter up to her brother in town, setting forth that "she had the rheumatism dreadfully bad, and there wasn't any help to be had, and she was that lonesome that she could not stand it any longer, and wouldn't one of her three nieces come down and stay with her for a short time?" Clare astonished the family circle by volunteering to go.

"My dear," said Mrs. Wintringham, "you don't know what you are undertaking. It is a common family feud."

"But I suppose she is full of whims," said Papa Wintringham, rubbing his nose. "But I suppose she is poor and lonely."

"Well, but," said Clare, "Miriam is busy with her music lessons and her German class, and Laura belongs to those societies; I seem to be the only one disengaged. Besides, I'm getting tired of balls and dances and twelve o'clock suppers. I should like to try the other extreme, just for fun."

"You will find it anything but fun," said Mrs. Wintringham, putting her gold-stoppered cassette to her aristocratic nose. "Well, at any rate I mean to try," said Clare, valiantly. "So, papa, you may write to Aunt Dalmayne that I am coming."

The scene looked undeniably beautiful to Clare Wintringham, that frosty December night, as the jolting old chaise, with a sleepy old horse trotting in front, turned into the valley road, and she could see the ancient farmhouse, steep-roofed, and with a half-century of snags and ruins, with the elm boughs wrestling overhead in the gale, and the wooded hills rising up on every side, while one ruddy beam of light glowed from the tiny windows under the eaves, casting, as it might be, a javelin of brightness athwart the road in front of the door.

"I think she's expecting of you," said the rough character who had been sent to the station to meet Mrs. Dalmayne's niece, "but I'm afraid you'll find it very lonesome."

"Oh," cried Clare gleefully, as she sprang out of the vehicle, "I think it's splendid!" She entered the low-roofed kitchen, all aglow with the roaring of logs on the hearth, and further illuminated by two tall candles in bright, brass candlesticks. Aunt Dalmayne had evidently bestirred herself for the table was spread with hot

biscuits, baked apples, custards and preserves, and the old lady herself hobbled forward on a crutch to welcome her niece. "Why, my dear," cried Aunt Dalmayne, stepping back to take a second survey, "you're as pretty as a picture!"

"Am I?" said Clare, coloring and laughing. "But, aunt, what a glorious fire you've got, and what a darling old urn, and how nice that tea does smell!"

"Sit down and have a cup, my dear," said Aunt Dalmayne highly flattered. Before Clare Wintringham slept that night she had taken Mrs. Dalmayne's heart fairly by storm.

She had been an inmate of the old fashioned farmhouse for about a week when one of those grand snow storms came on which veil the whole country side in spotless white, and hang the woods in royal robes of ermine. Aunt Dalmayne's rheumatism grew worse, and she kept her room; but Clare went about as light-hearted as ever, doing the whole work of the house, with such assistance as Moses, the handy man, was able to render her.

The snow had fallen all day, blown into drifts by the wind that howled lugubriously through the clefts of the hills, and at last twilight deepened over the stormy earth. Clare was sitting thoughtfully before the firelight, peeling apples for a pudding which was due to Aunt Dalmayne's invalid son, when Moses came in.

"Miss Clare said he," there's two gentlemen got storm-bound outside; they've missed the way, their horses are clean tired out, and they wanted to know if we'd give 'em a night's shelter. I told 'em Mrs. Dalmayne was ill, and I wasn't master, but I'd ask the young woman—Miss Clare."

Clare winced a little, then laughed outright at Moses' unpolished language. "Of course they may come in," she said, "I won't turn even a dog from the door on such a night as this!"

But what was her amazement, on turning to welcome the strangers, to behold in them no strangers at all, but Mr. Harvey Gellatle and his friend Hood.

Powdered liberally with snow their noses reddened by the wind, their features rendered unnaturally rigid by cold, they stood blankly regarding her, but Clare came forward with the grace of young duchesses.

"Good evening, gentlemen. Try and come a little nearer the fire. I hardly supposed of two snow-bound strangers who sought shelter here, I was to welcome old acquaintances."

"Oh, Miss Wintringham—exceedingly glad to see you, I'm sure!" stammered Mr. Gellatle, awkwardly allowing his frog-like hand to touch her own. "But what can you possibly be doing in such a place as this?"

"Didn't Moses tell you?" she asked, demurely. "I'm doing the housework here." "Miss Wintringham!"

"Why not?"

Mr. Gellatle had no reply ready; he only rubbed his hands, smiled feebly, and advanced towards the red blaze; while Mr. Hood was exchanging in turn his greeting with the former heiress.

"It is a surprise, Miss Wintringham, to see you here," he said frankly, "but a very agreeable one."

Clare wondered in her heart what Frank Hood's awkwardness.

"It is as good as a tale-bearer," she thought when Hood had explained to her that unexpected business had taken them across the country in the dead of winter, thus bringing about so entirely and unanticipated a meeting, and she went into the outer kitchen to get cream for the table. As she stood there skimming off the gold accumulations which followed her spoon in thick folds, she heard Gellatle's voice speaking:

"Of course the father has failed, and they have lost everything—a great pity, for with that face she might have married well."

"What is to prevent her marrying well now?" Frank Hood's slow, deliberate tones answered.

"My dear fellow, we must all look out for the main chance. In fact, I was once a little smitten myself, but of course its quite out of the question now."

Mr. Hood did not reply; and Clare, as she stood there, with burning cheeks, was glad that he did not.

"But when she came to preside at the tea table, she was as composed as ever, save that her color was a trifle deeper than usual. The storm continued in unabated violence for two days, during which time Mr. Gellatle yawning over the week old newspaper, smoked his cigar beside the fire, and systematically ignored Miss Wintringham's presence.

"A fellow mustn't let himself get entangled," was his mental reflections. Frank Hood, however, reasoned otherwise. He hated the cold, and he hated the windows, wiped the dishes, even essayed to sweep the floors, thereby creating great confusion. And Clare, though she declared he was more of a hindrance than a help, seemed to like it.

On the third day the weather cleared gloriously, and Moses brought round the strangers' horses.

"Come, Hood!" said Gellatle, impatiently; "are you going to stand there all day, making adieus?"

"Be off as quick as you like," said Hood, calmly. "I am not going."

"Not going! But business?"

"Hang business!" was the unaccountable reply. "What do I care for business? Miss Wintringham has promised to be my wife, and my business is here just at present."

Mr. Gellatle muttered a few incoherent congratulations, and rode away, ejaculating under his breath:

"I never saw such a fool in all my life." When, Harvey Gellatle, was gone, Clare told her lover the truth, and the whole truth. At first Frank was half inclined to be vexed; but when he had explained to her his lips.

"But you want me, Frank, don't you?" said Clare with the prettiest coaxing yet in the world.

"Of course I do!" said Frank. "But, darling, I had such a bright little dream of love in a cottage!"

"And it shall all come true," said Clare, in spite of the five hundred pounds a year.

The young lovers traveled back *à la-tête* to London, as soon as Moses Peckham's sister could be induced to come and take Clare's place in Aunt Dalmayne's household. What Harvey Gellatle's feelings

were when he learned the true state of the case, we leave the imaginative readers to conjecture, for the best of tacticians may outgeneral himself at times.

## BEECHER ON DANCING.

In the course of a sermon recently, Henry Ward Beecher said:

"Some persons, when they join a church, think that they must put all the glee and mirth and music out of their lives. Don't you do it! If a love song ripples up to the surface of your heart, slug it! slug it! Don't let it die! My second mother—for I remember, no other—was my idea of womanly gentleness, propriety and elegance. She was not, however, very demonstrative. She used before marriage to be quite a belle, and was often known to trip the light fantastic."

One evening, as my father played a tune on the violin, my mother arose, and in the most graceful manner possible to conceive commenced to dance around the room. I didn't know what to make of it. I was speechless with consternation and delight. My father looked on in surprise. Never in the whole course of my life had I seen such a thing attempted in my father's house. It was delicious, and I got a lesson then which has lasted me ever since."

On this day that if my mother had danced off her head, and said the catechism a little less it would have been better for all of us. If you have a talent for music, cultivate it; for dancing, cultivate it; whatever gifts God has given you, make the most of them, whether of the voice, foot or eye."

## CALMNESS.

There once lived a rollicking lawyer—we will call him Jack Mac—man—who had many virtues and few faults. He would give away his last, and consequently was often dead broke. One day he must attend court at a distance, but found himself without funds. Rushing breathlessly into the office of a banker, holding in his hand the promissory note of a well known man for twenty dollars he hastily exclaimed:—

"Here, John, what will you give me for that? quick! train's waiting."

"Nineteen dollars and a half," said the banker.

"All right," cried Jack. "Give me the stamps, and in a moment he was off for the cars."

An instant and he was followed and overtaken by the banker, who said:—

"Look here, Jack! credits on the back of this note, fifteen dollars."

"I know it," replied he. "Will you pay it back?"

"Not a cent. You set the price—I took it."

"You're an infernal scoundrel!"

"Now look here," said Jack, "what's the use? I can bring twenty better looking men than you who will say the same thing."

It was one of Jack's virtues, this calmness under trying circumstances, and it so charmed the banker that he never asked for the money again.

TRUE GENEROSITY.—A gentleman, well known for his large benefactions, was asked what part of his income he was in the habit of contributing to the Lord's treasury. "I do not know," said he; "I do very much as the woman who was famous for the excellence of her rhubarb pie, put in as much sugar as her conscience would allow, and then shut up her eyes and put in a handful more. I give all my conscience approves and then add a handful without counting."

ALL ARE MEN.—One may live as a conqueror, a king or a magistrate; but he must die as a man. The bed of death brings every human being to his pure individuality, to the intense contemplation of that deepest and most solemn of all relations, the relation between the creature and his Creator.

—Webster.

"Deliver me from a person who never does wrong—deliver me from a man whose tongue never made a mistake, and who keeps a note of the fact! If there is any one thing more provoking to a sinner—and we are all sinners—than another, it is one of these consciously perfect folks."

When a man thinks that nobody cares for him, and that he is alone in a cold and selfish world, he would do well to ask himself what he has done to make anybody care for him, and to what he has done to the world with faith and generosity. Generally those who complain the most have done the least.

A lady was met on the street lately by a gentleman—friend, who gallantly remarked, "Madam, your face is full of roses," thinking it was the wind that gave it the lovely carnation. "Yes," interposed an old bachelor standing by, "and some of them have been rubbed off the left cheek."

"We hear of men confessing on their death bed to the crime of murder, abduction and incendiarism, but whoever heard of dying men confessing to borrowing his neighbor's paper, instead of subscribing for one of his own? Nobody. Death cannot scare that man."

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